Four public health students help Tulane earn classification as Fulbright Top Producing Institution

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For the second year in a row, Tulane University has been recognized as one of the top producers of students selected in the **Fulbright U.S. Student Program**, the government's flagship international educational exchange program, and the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine once again helped contribute to that designation.

The U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs named

Tulane a Fulbright Top Producing Institution for U.S. Students for 2023-2024, a recognition given to the U.S. colleges and universities that received the highest number of applicants selected in the program last year.

Four public health students are included among Tulane's 13 current Fulbright awardees:

Humzah Khan ('20), Research/Study Award - Tunisia

Brittany Blinder ('21), English Teaching Award - Taiwan

Bryce Moulton ('22, current MPH&TM student), English Teaching Award - Nepal

Michael Yang ('23, Public Health Minor), Research/Study Award - United Kingdom

The full list of top universities is published each year by <u>The Chronicle of Higher</u> <u>Education</u>. <u>Thirteen students from Tulane were selected</u> for Fulbright awards out of 44 applicants from the university. The Fulbright competition is administered at Tulane through the <u>Newcomb-Tulane College Office of Fellowship Advising</u>.

"I am immensely proud of the Office of Fellowship Advising and our students for earning this honor two years in a row," said Dean of Newcomb-Tulane College Mollye Demosthenidy. "This remarkable accomplishment is a testament to the extraordinary students in our intellectual community and their dedication to making positive impacts on a global scale. The College is excited to see how these students continue to exercise their curiosity, creativity and adventurousness throughout their time as Fulbright Scholars and beyond. Congratulations to all involved in this prestigious achievement!"

Fulbright is among the largest and most diverse exchange programs in the world. Since its inception in 1946, more than 400,000 participants from all backgrounds and fields — including recent university graduates, teachers, scientists, researchers, artists and others — have participated in the Fulbright Program.

"Fulbright's Top Producing Institutions represent the diversity of America's higher education community," said Lee Satterfield, Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs. "Dedicated administrators support students and scholars at these institutions to fulfill their potential and rise to address tomorrow's global challenges. We congratulate them, and all the Fulbrighters who are making

an impact the world over."

Fulbright alumni have returned to their home countries to make an impact on their communities thanks to their expanded worldview, a deep appreciation for their host country and its people, and a larger network of colleagues and friends.

"We are very proud of earning this recognition for the second consecutive year, and prouder still of everyone who applies for a Fulbright grant," said Thomas Spencer, director of the Office of Fellowship Advising. "Tulanians have tremendous talent and, through the combination of their studies, research, language acquisition, global education and service learning, they build themselves into strong candidates for this award. Tulane is a Fulbright powerhouse, and we're excited to see even more applications (and grantees!) in the future."

Below are the 13 Tulane students who were selected for Fulbright awards:

Josh Axelrod, '20
Humzah Khan, '20
Emmanuelle Rosenthal, '20
Brittany Blinder, '21
Lerin Williams, '21 & M.A. in Musicology
Anna Wilson, '21
Amelia Brown, '22
Elise Carl, '22
Sydney Kuhn, '22
Bryce Moulton, '22 & M.S. in Tropical Medicine
Hannah Mayer, '23
Michael Yang, '23
Paul Yermish, '23