2013-2014 is a boom year for Tulane Fulbright students

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From left, David Ewens, Aubrey Kraft and Louis Bergsman are among the Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship winners from Tulane. Ewens will teach in Germany, Kraft in Malaysia and Bergsman in Indonesia. (Photo by Guillermo Cabrera-Rojo)

The Fulbright program at Tulane University has blossomed in recent years, with the university recognized as a Fulbright U.S. Student Top Producer for 2013-2014.

"Our numbers have gotten so big, with 53 applicants last year," says Molly Travis, associate dean in Newcomb-Tulane College. As the Fulbright Program Adviser, Travis guided campus recruitment efforts for three years in collaboration with the Honors and a faculty committee drawn from across the university.

From last year's pool of applicants, <u>13 students and recent graduates</u> from Tulane University are heading overseas this year to study, conduct research or teach English in the Fulbright program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

One of the keys to the success, Travis believes, is the feedback students receive from faculty as they consider their grant proposals. Travis encourages students to think ahead about the Fulbright competition. "I try to tell students to think about their honors thesis, their public service, study abroad and networking with contacts in the country in which they'd like to work, to see how they can parlay these experiences post-graduation," Travis says.

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition opens each year on May 1, with a submission deadline in mid-October. Students who applied this fall will learn the results of the 2014â?"15 competition in the spring.

For more information about the <u>Fulbright competition</u>, Tulane students should contact Scott Pentzer, the current Fulbright Program Adviser, in the <u>Center for Global Education</u>.

2013-2014 Fulbright U.S. Students

Graduate students:

Jennifer Farrell, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Bangladesh Beau Gaitors, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Mexico Sean Higgins, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Mexico Nicole Katin, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Brazil Walter Liszewski, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Denmark

Students applying with a bachelor's degree:

Louis Bergsman, Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Indonesia David Ewens, Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Germany Catherine Fitzpatrick, English Teaching Assistantship, Brazil Tobin Fulton, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Brazil Julian Guelig, Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Brazil Grace Kenneally, Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Kyrgyzstan Aubrey Kraft, Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Malaysia Kaitlin Tasker, Fulbright Study/Research Grant, Peru