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## Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship 2025-26

The Royal Civil Service Commission is pleased to announce the availability of up to six non-degree Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowships for the 2025-2026 academic year, awarded by the Government of the United States through its Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) from its Congressional appropriation for exchanges.

# 1. Prerequisites for the Fellowship:

- Be young mid-career professionals in leadership positions having a commitment to public service and the potential for professional advancement
- Have a minimum of five years of full-time professional experience (prior to August 2024) in the relevant field, after completing a university degree, and should be interested in the policy aspects of their fields of specialization
- Have completed a university degree program requiring at least four years of full time study to qualify for participation in U. S. graduate study programs
- Be proficient in English (minimum TOEFL score of 525 paper-based or 71 internet-based test); although scores lower than the above may be eligible for the Long- Term English program

# 2. Ineligibility criteria:

- Individuals without a first university degree
- Individuals with fewer than five years of full-time professional experience beyond attainment of a first university/undergraduate degree prior to August 2024
- University teachers with no management or policy responsibilities, except for teachers of English as a foreign language and specialists in substance abuse prevention and treatment
- Individuals who have attended a graduate school in the United States for one academic year or more during the seven years prior to August 2024
- Individuals who have had more than six months of U.S. experience during the five years prior to August 2024
- Individuals with dual U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent resident status







## 3. Fields of Study

### I. Human and Institutional Capacity:

- A. Economic Development
- B. Finance and Banking
- C. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- D. Technology Policy and Management

#### II. Rights and Freedoms:

- A. Communications and Journalism
- B. Law and Human Rights

### III. Sustainable Lands:

- A. Agriculture and Rural Development
- B. Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change
- C. Urban and Regional Planning

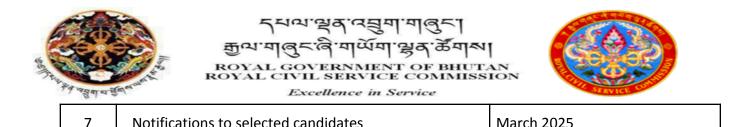
### **IV. Thriving Communities:**

- A. Public Health Policy and Management
- B. Substance Abuse Education, Treatment and Prevention
- C. Educational Administration, Planning, and Policy

#### 4. Timeline for the program:

#	Particulars	Date
1	Deadline for submission of applications	20-July-2024
2	Shortlisting of candidates	1-August-2024
3	Interviews for final selection	19-August-2024 (tentative)
4	Deadline for nominees to take TOEFL	30- September-2024
5	Technical review of applications by IIE, Washington, D.C.	October - November 2024
6	Selections made by Humphrey board, Washington DC	January-February, 2025

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- 5. General requirements (in addition to the above criteria):
  - Interested candidates from the civil service must fulfill in-service training criteria of the BCSR 2023
  - Candidates from the private and corporate sectors must fulfill eligibility requirements specified by the Department of Workforce Planning and Skills Development, MoESD

### 6. Important links and notes:

- Applicants can access the application on the Institute of International Education (IIE) website at <u>https://apply.iie.org/huberthhumphrey</u> on or before 20-July-2024
- For the scholarship guidelines: click here
- Applications must be completed for the candidate to be considered. TOEFL scores do not need to be present for an application to be considered complete
- The shortlisting will be done by the U.S Embassy, Delhi and the short-listed candidates will be announced on the RCSC's website accordingly
- The interviews for the Final Selection will be on or around the week of August 19, 2024.
- It must be noted that the candidates who get through the selection interview are only nominated for the fellowship. Therefore, the selected candidate must understand that his/her actual enrollment is subject to final confirmation
- No additional financial benefits from the RCSC/RGoB shall be admissible to candidates under this scholarship.

For general clarification/queries, please contact HRDD at 322491 (Ext. 129) or you can email at <u>plhamo@rcsc.gov.bt</u> <u>d</u>uring office hours.