



Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics 2027-2028

Hanken has signed an agreement with the Fulbright Finland Foundation on the grant programme *Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics*. The agreement enables prominent American scholars the opportunity to conduct research as well as participate in teaching and education during a 2-5 month visit at Hanken. During the stay, the scholar shall teach and conduct research as well as contribute to disseminating Hanken's research and knowledge within the business community and society. The agreement strengthens Hanken's international profile, especially among scholars and universities in the US. Our networks will be broadened in the US, opening up opportunities for new forms of co-operation. (American scholars apply for the Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair grant themselves. Applications are submitted to IIE (Institute of International Education), where they are pre-screened.)

Read more about the Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics:

<http://www.fulbright.fi/en/research-and-lecturing-opportunities-scholars-and-specialists/fulbright-hanken-distinguished-chair>

Do you have a potential guest in mind for the next grant period 2027-2028? Please let us know by submitting a statement of interest as soon as possible, and no later than 15 May 2026. Kindly read the Internal rules and decision procedure and timetable below for more details.

The **statement of interest** must include the following information:

- Guest candidate's name, nationality, and home university.
- Your name – as prospective academic host for the guest.
- Your own short evaluation (<0,5 pages) of the guest's merits and competence (please also attach the CV of the guest candidate).
- A preliminary list of collaborative projects and forms of research that the guest would participate in (discuss this list with the Head of Subject at your Department).
- A preliminary list of the teaching that the guest would participate in (discuss this list with the Head of Subject at your Department). Teaching could be for degree programs and/or Executive Education (subject to opportunities being available).
- Possible supervision/support of PhD students.
- Planned joint research applications with our scholars are seen as a plus.
- The time period and number of months the guest would like to visit Hanken, as well as the minimum and maximum number of months they are prepared to stay at Hanken (2-5 months).
- Your own evaluation of the candidate, on the scale 0-7: 0 = The guest candidate's visit to Hanken would not significantly benefit Hanken or Hanken's researchers or doctoral students. 7 = The guest candidate's visit would be a true 'win' for Hanken in terms of favourable and long-term collaboration with Hanken's researchers and doctoral students.

After receiving all statements of interest, the Deans of Research and Education evaluate the candidates and decide which candidates will be invited. After the evaluation, invitation letters are drafted for the selected guest candidates and sent out before the summer.

Note that the above information will be used for potential invitation letters for candidates but kindly inform your candidates that they will need to submit applications for the Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics directly to IIE (Institute of International Education). Statements of interest initiate the internal process at Hanken but do not replace the application.

More information:

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Timetable:

Deadline for Hanken-internal statements of interest to stipendieombud@hanken.fi	15 May 2026
Internal evaluations of the guest candidates	May-June 2026
Invitation letters are sent out to the chosen guest candidates	Before 19 June 2026
IIE deadline for the intended guest to file their own application with the Fulbright foundation.	15 September 2026

Internal rules and decision procedure for invitations and applications for the Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics:

- *A maximum of 2 candidates are invited per academic year (maximum one candidate per subject).*
- *Preferably rotating (at different departments/subjects every year if possible).*
- *Length of visit is 2-5 months.*
- *Guests should only visit during Autumn or Spring semester (spring preferred, no visits during summer months). Please note that the time frame cannot be changed later.*
- *Guests should be well-established American scholars who publish their research in prominent, high-quality academic journals.*
- *During the stay, the guest will teach and conduct research as well as contribute to disseminating Hanken's research and knowledge within the business community and society. Please align the timing of the visit with the intended teaching engagements and the potential curriculum during 2027-2028.*
- *The Academic Host at the Subject understands the responsibilities the important hosting task includes. The Host is also familiar, in detail, with the guest's task list and coordinates the practical arrangements together with the guest.*
- *Prior to submitting the statement of interest to the Scholarship Liaison Officer, the Academic Host must discuss the potential guest with the Head of Subject.*
- *An overall evaluation and decision about eventual guests are done by the Dean of Research and Dean of Education. The candidates are assessed with regards to how the planned activities align with the strategic goals of Hanken, and how the timetables for the visits can be synchronised so that Hanken can welcome as many guests as possible within the funding limits.*
- *Based on the statements of interest (sent by the intended Academic Hosts to the Scholarship Liaison Officer), the Academic hosts in collaboration with the Deans of Research and Education, draft the invitation letters for selected guest candidates. The drafts are circulated with the intended Academic Host, Head of Subject, as well as the Deans of Research and Education.*
- *The final version of the invitation letter is signed by the Dean of Research. The invitation is sent to the potential guest, for him or her to include in their application to IIE. Hanken will not accept any Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chairs who have not received such an invitation letter issued by the Dean of Research.*
- *Once the applications have been assessed in the US and by Fulbright Finland, eligible applications are sent for assessment to Hanken (late Autumn 2026).*
- *The Scholarship Liaison Officer checks the formal aspects of all applications before they are finally approved by the Deans of Research and Education.*