RETURN TRAVEL TICKET POLICY

Outlined below is the United States Department of State Fulbright return travel policy. Not all of these points will be applicable to your situation, but we hope that they will answer any questions you may have.

1. The ticket may only be purchased by AMIDEAST. The grantee may not purchase a ticket himself or herself and expect reimbursement, nor may the grantee make his or her own reservation with another agency.

2. The ticket must be a one-way ticket to the grantee’s home country.

3. The grantee must fly with a U.S. airline from the point of departure in the United States to the point of transfer, if any, in Europe. If there is no point of transfer, the grantee must still fly with a U.S. airline.

4. The ticket will be refundable only to AMIDEAST.

5. The ticket will be a non-penalty ticket, and can be adjusted if necessary. The ticket will be purchased for travel on a date not to exceed the grantee’s maximum funding date.

6. The ticket will be the least expensive non-penalty ticket available. Although we will do everything possible to accommodate grantee requests in terms of dates, routing, and airlines, the price of the ticket takes priority. If another itinerary is significantly less expensive (more than $50 less) than the one the grantee requests, AMIDEAST is required to choose the cheaper one. Any cost increases which result from a request or requests made by the grantee must be paid by the grantee.

7. The grantee will be responsible for notifying AMIDEAST within one week of the termination of the Fulbright grant should the U.S. airline become bankrupt or discontinue service to the grantee's point of destination. In such a case, AMIDEAST will have alternate travel arrangements made.

8. AMIDEAST will not be responsible for, or become involved in, the purchase of or any changes to a ticket beyond the termination of the Fulbright grant. Thereafter, all changes are the grantee’s responsibility. Payment for any cost increases that result from any changes made by the grantee is also the grantee’s responsibility. Any cost savings that result from any changes made by the grantee must be reimbursed to AMIDEAST, since AMIDEAST purchased the original ticket.

ALSO KEEP IN MIND

- Some European countries require transit visas even if you are not planning to leave the airport. It is your responsibility to obtain any required transit visas. Please be aware that you may be barred from a flight if you do not have the proper transit visas. If your travel is delayed because of visa issues or other problems, it is your responsibility to pay for any costs incurred because of the delay(s).

- Travel with dependents: Please plan well in advance and inform AMIDEAST of your proposed itinerary. Our travel agency will work with you to ensure that you determine an economical way to get yourself and your family home while complying with United States Department of State travel regulations.

- Remember that AMIDEAST cannot ship items home for you. Most Fulbright grantees are eligible for a shipping allowance; check with your AMIDEAST adviser for details.