

## Alisa Jordheim Receives Fulbright Award

Alisa Jordheim of the University of Cincinnati has been awarded a Fulbright U.S. Student Program scholarship to Norway in Area Studies, the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board announced recently.

Jordheim is one of more than 1,700 U.S. citizens who will travel abroad for the 2013-2014 academic year through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. Recipients of Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic and professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential.

The Fulbright Program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government and is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. The primary source of funding for the Fulbright Program is an annual appropriation made by the U.S. Congress to the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Participating governments and host institutions, corporations and foundations in foreign countries and in the United States also provide direct and indirect support. The Program operates in over 155 countries worldwide.

Since its establishment in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the Fulbright Program has given approximately 318,000 students, scholars, teachers, artists, scientists and other professionals the opportunity to study, teach and conduct research, exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns.

Fulbright alumni have achieved distinction in government, science, the arts, business, philanthropy, education, and many other fields. Forty-four Fulbright alumni from 12 countries have been awarded the Nobel Prize, and 78 alumni have received Pulitzer Prizes. Prominent Fulbright alumni include: **Muhammad Yunus**, founder, Grameen Bank, and 2006 Nobel Peace Prize recipient; **Juan Manuel Santos**, President of Colombia; **John Hope Franklin**, noted American historian and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient; **Riccardo Giacconi**, physicist and 2002 Nobel Laureate; **Amar Gopal Bose**, chairman and founder, Bose Corporation; **Renée Fleming**, soprano; **Jonathan Franzen**, writer; and **Daniel Libeskind**, architect.

Fulbright recipients are among more than 50,000 individuals participating in U.S. Department of State exchange programs each year. The Fulbright U.S. Student Program is administered by the Institute of International Education.

For further information about the Fulbright Program or the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, please visit our website at <http://eca.state.gov/fulbright> or contact Josue Barrera, telephone [202-632-6454](tel:202-632-6454) or e-mail [ECA-Press@state.gov](mailto:ECA-Press@state.gov).