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Anthony Adornato Receives Fulbright U.S. Scholar Award to Italy

The U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board are pleased to announce that Anthony Adornato of Ithaca College has received a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program award to Italy in the field of journalism.

A presidentially-appointed 12-member board is responsible for approving the selection of Fulbright recipients. The award is recognition of Adornato’s international expertise in the area of emerging technologies and journalism. His teaching and research project is entitled, Exploring the Impact of Mobile and Social Media on Journalism Education and Practice in Italy.

Adornato will be a visiting professor and researcher at several Italian universities: Università Cattolica (Milan), International University of Languages and Media (Milan), and LUMSA Università—Libera Università Maria SS. Assunta (Rome). He will teach seminars about mobile and social media journalism to master’s journalism students and consult with journalism instructors about how to best adapt curricula to address the impact of emerging technologies. In addition, Adornato will conduct research about how social media is impacting both journalism curricula in Italy and the day-to-day responsibilities of Italian journalists.

Adornato is among a select group of U.S. citizens chosen to teach, conduct research, and/or provide expertise abroad next year through the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program. Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected on the basis of academic and professional achievement, as well as record of service and demonstrated leadership in their respective fields.

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teachers. They include 60 Nobel Laureates, 86 Pulitzer Prize winners, 74 MacArthur Fellows, and thousands of leaders across the private, public and non-profit sectors.

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