

# Unique research opportunity provided by Fulbright–Stephen Lawrence award

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The new award will enable research into policing and criminal justice

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The Fulbright–Stephen Lawrence Scholar Award in Policing has been launched by the US-UK Fulbright Commission, the National Black Police Association and the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC).

The prestigious award will enable a UK police officer or member of staff to conduct research at three historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in the United States.

This award aims to:

- further research into policing and the criminal justice system
- exchange knowledge and promote best practices between the US and the UK
- improve community engagement in regards to race

Established in 1948, the US-UK Fulbright Commission tackles global challenges, including those on diversity, equity and inclusion.

Likewise, the National Black Police Association, established in 1998, works to place fairness at the heart of the police agenda in the UK.

**We look forward to seeing the gains in fresh knowledge and perspectives from this exchange with HBCUs in the US, that can be used to better serve all our communities.**

*Alison Lowe, APCC Lead for Equality, Diversity and Human Rights, Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime in West Yorkshire*

Baroness Doreen Lawrence, Stephen's mother, endorses the prestigious award in her son's name and will also be part of the selection of candidates. This selection process will be open competition and merit-based.

**There are a lot of challenges and it is important that Stephen's name continues to stand up for justice and equality, for police officers to respect the community they serve.**

*Baroness Doreen Lawrence*

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