

# SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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## FULBRIGHT GRANT SENDS UT SOUTHWESTERN SCIENTIST TO BRAZIL

DALLAS — April 8, 1996 — Dr. George Ordway, who for several years has mailed used scientific journals and textbooks to a needy university in northern Brazil, has been awarded a Fulbright grant to lecture and do research there for three months.

Ordway, an associate professor of physiology at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, is one of about 2,000 U.S. students, teachers and scholars chosen by the Fulbright Program to study, teach and conduct research around the world this year.

He plans to leave in mid-April for the Federal University of Pernambuco in Recife, Brazil.

Ordway learned of the university through an American Physiological Society program that pairs U.S. physiologists with those in Third-World countries. As a volunteer in the program, Ordway shared information with the physiology program in Recife. Over the years he talked with a professor there about traveling to the university to share his knowledge of how exercise induces changes in cardiovascular and skeletal-muscle function.

He applied for a Fulbright grant and underwent a rigorous peer review before being accepted.

"One thing I expect to come away with is an understanding of how to teach in an environment where there's less technology and where English is not the students' first language," Ordway said. "It is onerous to have to adapt. I think that will help me in the long run as an educator and as a scientist."

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. It is administered by the U.S. Information Agency in cooperation with several private organizations and operates under policy guidelines established by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

"This honor is conferred on Dr. Ordway, but its benefits will reach beyond his laboratory and classrooms here and in Recife," said UT Southwestern president Dr. Kern Wildenthal. "Our institution will gain from the international experience that characterizes the Fulbright Program."

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