

Steier Receives Fulbright Scholarship

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Former Berkeley Prep and Stanford University distance running star Rolf Steier has been awarded a Fulbright U.S. Student scholarship to Norway in Education, the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board announced.



Steier, an eight-time state champion and a three-time state runner-up at Berkeley and an All-American at 1,500 meters while at Stanford, is one of over 1,450 U.S. citizens who will travel abroad for the 2008-2009 academic year through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program.

The Fulbright Program is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Since its inception in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, more than 100,000 Americans have taught, studied or conducted research overseas. Recipients are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields.

Steier expects to travel to Norway later this summer, where he will continue to train and compete in track with an Oslo-based club. He had hoped to qualify for this week's U.S. Olympic track trials in the 1,500 but was hampered by an injury.