

US Peace Corps in Ukraine

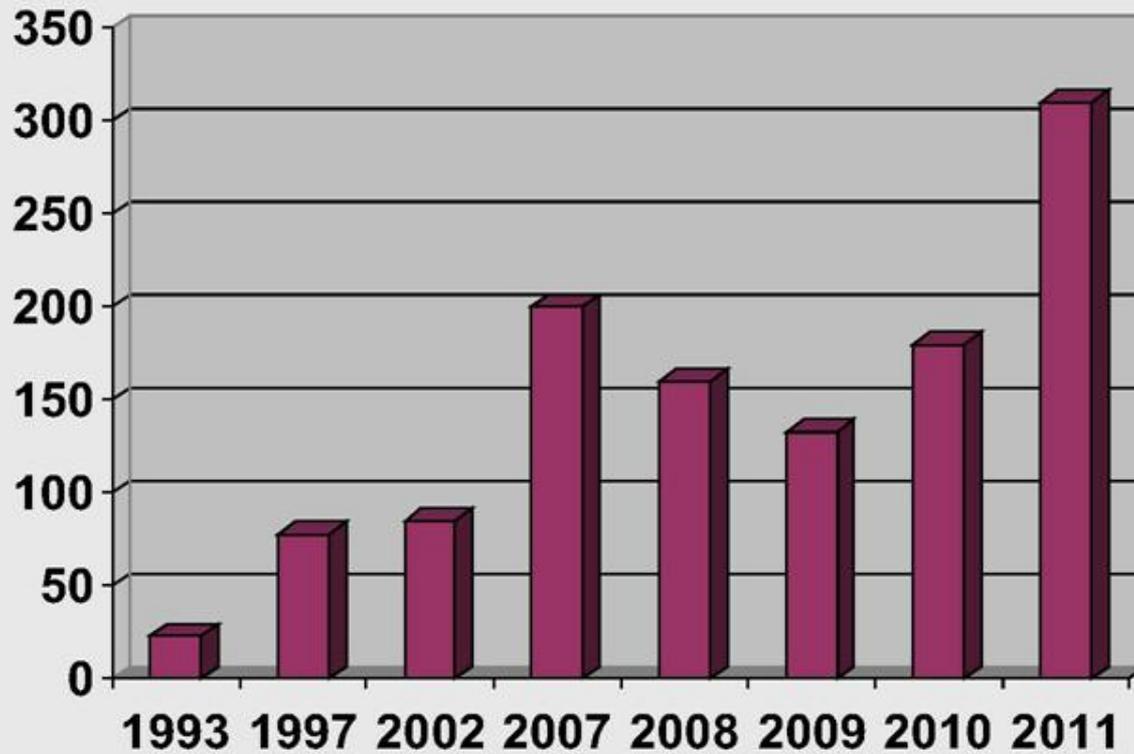


Teaching English
as a Foreign Language
Project:

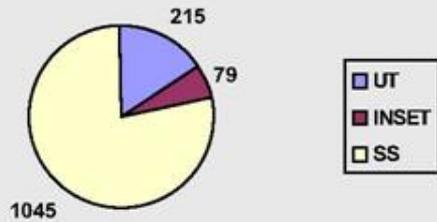
19 years in Ukraine



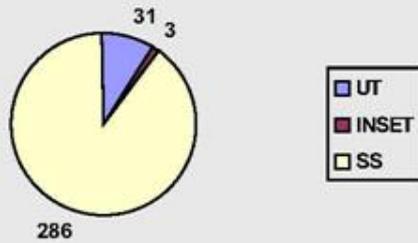
Number of TEFL Volunteers in Ukraine



1993-2011



2011



UT - University teaching
INSET - Teacher training
SS - Secondary school teaching



TEFL Tracks

Purpose

Ukrainians will have better social, educational and cultural opportunities to become active participants in the global marketplace through improved quality of EFL education and raised community activism promoted by Peace Corps Volunteers.



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Goal 1

Ukrainian secondary school and university/college students at all levels will develop self-confidence and empowerment through the use of the English language.

Each Volunteer teaches 80-150 students and conducts 220-240 hours per semester.



Objective 1

By the year 2015 Volunteers in collaboration with their counterparts will have taught English to 124,000 secondary school and 19,000 university/college students.

- classes on Conversational English, Great Britain and US Country Studies/Literature, Business English, Computing and Internet
- various content-based courses like journalism, environment, human rights, etc
- English Clubs
- English Weeks
- Students-winners of the National Olympiads
- Students-winners of educational exchange programs (FLEX, UGRAD)

Objective 2

By the year 2015, Volunteers in collaboration with their counterparts will have incorporated decision-making, problem-solving and life skills to promote students' confidence and civic responsibility with approximately 15,000 secondary school and 12,000 university/college students.

- civic engagement, cross-cultural studies, environmental awareness, HIV/AIDS prevention, technology and the Internet, creative solutions through writing and improvisational theater, music and culture studies
- multiculturalism and diversity awareness
- celebrations of the English-speaking countries traditions and holidays, English weeks, English essay contests
- new courses focused on diversity and cultural viewpoints



Volunteers helped to develop and taught the following courses:

- Practical English
- US Country Studies
- Creative Writing
- American/British Literature
- Business English

286 Volunteers in close cooperation with Ukrainian teachers taught 29,000 students at 250 secondary schools and 3,850 students at 31 colleges/universities.



Goal 2

Ukrainian teachers will provide better English language education by utilizing innovative techniques and applying improved conversational skills.



Objective 1

By the year of 2015, 7,500 Ukrainian teachers of English will gain confidence in using English and cross-cultural information inside the classroom through daily contact with Volunteers.

- co-teaching/team-teaching with Ukrainian colleagues
- teacher training for colleagues and community teachers
- demonstration Lessons
- correspondence between Ukrainian and English teachers

Objective 2

By the year of 2015, Volunteers in collaboration with their counterparts will have trained 15,000 teachers in different methods of teaching English, including ICTs.

- teacher training seminars
- professional development course for university teachers
- Practical Project methodology trainings for low-skilled teachers of English
- in-service courses for teachers of English
- English Clubs for community teachers



1,700 teachers participated in methodological and professional development trainings for teachers, seminars and workshops organized by Peace Corps Volunteers, where they were able to practice contemporary methods of teaching based on a communicative approach in TEFL education.

1,850 teachers from rural communities were able to improve their English language proficiency through direct communication and cooperation with Peace Corps Volunteers.



Goal 3

Ukrainian English teachers in collaboration with Peace Corps Volunteers will enhance and/or produce English language curriculum materials for schools and universities.



Objective 1

By the year 2015, 2,500 Ukrainian teachers in cooperation with Volunteers will have worked to develop and/or update English language teaching materials.

- books, audio and video cassettes from Books for Peace and/or Darien Book Aid donations
- web page for TEFL materials on the Peace Corps site
- comprehensive and engaging lesson plans
- National Olympiad for secondary school and University students

Objective 2

By the year of 2015, Ukrainian counterparts in cooperation with Volunteers will develop and maintain 200 English language resource centers to promote English language instruction and access to useful information, including ICTs.

- multimedia resource centers with internet access
- computer-assisted language laboratories
- English resource centers
- tourism information center



- Developed teaching materials
- Donated teaching materials
- Helped to provide Internet access and textbooks
- Created resource centers (25)
- Developed TEFL related manuals
- Provided computer trainings
- Developed Olympiad materials



Goal 4

Ukrainians in collaboration with Peace Corps Volunteers will take an active role in community projects aimed at the betterment of local communities.



Objective 1

By the year of 2015 75,000 Ukrainians of different ages will serve their communities by initiating and implementing community projects that address social, educational, cultural and environmental issues.

- English camps
- soccer, baseball and softball tournaments
- Drama projects
- Environmental activities
- HIV/AIDS awareness building

Objective 2

By the year of 2015 15,000 students and 7,500 teachers of English as well as other community members will develop ICT competencies and skills to enrich their knowledge of the outside world and improve the professional performance.

- computer technology seminars
- computer skills workshops
- weekly computer/Internet courses at the In-Service Teacher Training Institutes
- English language (tourism) websites



- Summer English schools and camps (140 communities)
- School newspapers in English
- Community environmental clean-ups
- English clubs (165)
- Seminars for students and teachers on HIV/AIDS awareness
- Penpal programs
- Drama clubs



US Peace Corps in Ukraine cooperates closely with the Ministry of Education, Science, Youth and Sports of Ukraine, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine and other partner organizations.



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