

English Access Microscholarship Program (Access Program)

Competition Announcement for Educational Service Providers

The U.S. Embassy in Ukraine is pleased to announce a competition for NGOs and educational institutions that provide English language instruction to high school students, including students with disabilities, and eager to implement a two-year **English Access Microscholarship Program (Access Program)** with inclusive education in 2014-2015.

Educational Service Providers include non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that work closely with schools, universities, or the language centers with strong English language programs. The educational service provider is responsible for recruiting students and developing the curriculum. Therefore, the provider's knowledge of English teaching methods is extremely important to the quality of the Program. The educational service providers that wish to implement the Access Program in their city should complete the application form and provide their resume.

The Access Program (<http://exchanges.state.gov/englishteaching/eam.html>) provides an opportunity for bright, economically disadvantaged 14 to 20 year-old students to study English and prepare themselves to become qualified bilingual professionals in the future. The program includes English language after-school classes three times a week, community development and cultural activities, and two-week intensive summer school sessions. All Access programs must provide two years of study, consisting of at least 360 hours (or more) of formal classroom instruction. Programs must include an emphasis on U.S. culture and values throughout the two year program. Selected students will receive a certificate of award at the beginning of the program and a certificate of completion signed by the U.S. Ambassador upon graduation from the Access Program.

Application

Application package should include: 1) Application form; 2) Educational provider's resume including the background information and previous projects and activities; 3) Reference letter(s). Application forms are available at U.S. Embassy's web site <http://ukraine.usembassy.gov> or by contacting the program coordinator at AccessKyiv@gmail.com or by phone (044) 521-5763.

The application deadline is July 16, 2013.