

Program Highlights 2007

ELF Teaches Teachers New Tools

Approximately 20 elementary and secondary school English teachers from Prizren, Kosovo attended a 5-seminar series taught by English Language Fellow, Kirsten Mashinter. The seminars focused on skills teachers could use to strengthen the structure of their classrooms. Seminar participants discussed topics such as what makes for good teaching and how they could improve the behavior of disruptive students.



Teachers also learned about lesson planning, classroom management, working with large classes, and giving clearer classroom instructions. There is a great need for continuing teacher education in Prizren, and this module is one of the few chances English teachers have for in-service training.



English Language Fellow, Molly Staeheli teaching a multi-ethnic ACCESS English class in the Pristina American Corner

Key EducationUSA Partners

- ▶ US Office Pristina
- ▶ The American School in Kosovo

Country Statistics	2006	2007
Number of students in the US:	70	56
Total number of center inquiries:	not available	New center to open in 2008

Kosovo

Advising Center Network

In partnership with the US Office Pristina (USOP), EducationUSA Kosovo will launch a new educational advising center in spring 2008. The American School in Kosovo will offer full advising and testing services for prospective US students. The US Office of Public Affairs administers government academic, information and cultural exchange programs such as the Fulbright Program and Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship. Accredited universities are welcome to contact the educational attaché at USOP or the American School of Kosovo when the new center is launched.

Recent Trends: US Study ▼ -20.0%

- ▶ During a period of transition for educational advising in Kosovo, study in the US fell by 20% in 2007 to 56 students (Open Doors 2007).
- ▶ Despite the drop in 2007, interest remains high for study in the US. Funding remains the most significant barrier to pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees abroad.
- ▶ Competition from other European countries is likely to increase for these talented students.

Resource Links

Fulbright and the US Office, Pristina: http://pristina.usmission.gov/exchange_programs.html
 University of Prishtina: www.uni-pr.edu/ (Contact EducationUSA for information)
 American University in Kosovo (AUK): www.aukonline.org

Education System Overview

	Secondary Education	Higher Education (Bachelor's Degree)
Language of instruction:	Albanian, English, Serbian, Turkish, Bosnian, Roma	Albanian, English, Serbian, Turkish, Bosnian, Roma
Years of study required:	4 years	3-4 years
Grading system & US equivalent:	1-5 (5 being the highest grade)	5-10 (10 being the highest grade)
Scholarship for US studies:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulbright; • Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship • Kosovo American Education Fund administered by American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCESS

Upcoming Events 2008-2009

EducationUSA Kosovo will be administered by a new educational advising partner, the American School in Kosovo. The US Office Pristina will host a launch of the new partner in spring 2008. US universities are invited to attend the student outreach event (virtually or in person) and should be in touch with the educational adviser of USOP.

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