

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS
FOR TRAINING IN EAST EUROPEAN LANGUAGES
(AT PROGRAMS IN SUMMER 2003)**

The American Council of Learned Societies announces grants in amounts up to \$2,500 to individuals for use at intensive summer language programs in 2003 for training in East European languages. Grants are primarily intended for those making a serious commitment to research and teaching. Therefore, preference will be given to applicants

- 1) who cannot study their chosen language (at the appropriate level) at their home institution,
- 2) who will be continuing the study of this language in the following year, and
- 3) who have begun or are beginning language study early in their academic careers.

Applicants should explain particular circumstances that would constitute exceptions to this general rule.

Grants will support *elementary or intermediate* study in the U.S. (in special cases, proposals to study in Eastern Europe will also be considered), or *advanced* study in Eastern Europe. Eligible languages are Albanian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian, Bulgarian, Czech, Hungarian, Macedonian, Polish, Romanian, Slovak, and Slovene.

Funding for these grants is provided by the U.S. Department of State under the Research and Training for Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union Act of 1983 (Title VIII).

Graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, and others who need the language in their professional careers are eligible to apply. U.S. citizenship or permanent legal residence is required. The deadline for receipt of completed applications is **January 15, 2003**, for study during the summer of 2003. Application forms may be obtained through the ACLS website, <www.acls.org>.

Applicants must apply directly to the language study program they wish to attend, applying to the ACLS only for financial assistance. Applicants should therefore contact the appropriate institutions regarding course offerings and admission procedures. This should be done as soon as possible. Applicants may apply for ACLS awards before being admitted to a language program, but the awards will be made contingent upon admission.

Successful applicants must inform ACLS if any other financial assistance is received for the proposed language study, and the stipend of the language grant may be adjusted accordingly. After completion of the training supported by these awards, awardees must submit a report to ACLS describing the progress they have made.

Notice of language programs in 2003 supported by ACLS

ACLS supports selected intensive language programs at U.S. institutions of higher education with funds provided by Title VIII. A list of these, with full contact information may also be found on the ACLS website <www.acls.org> or may be obtained from the ACLS Office of Fellowships and Grants by mail or via email <grants@acls.org>. In summer 2003 ACLS is supporting

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programs in Albanian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian, Czech, Hungarian, Macedonian, Polish, Romanian, and Slovak.

In announcing these programs, ACLS would like to publicize the fact that all institutions receiving ACLS support must waive tuition for all graduate students pursuing a course of East European studies in any discipline. However, there is no expectation that individuals will apply only to ACLS-supported programs, nor that they will receive special consideration by the selection committee if they do so.

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