# National Security Language Initiative for Youth 国家安全语言计划青少年项目





The NSLI-Y program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

# NSLI-Y Program Overview 项目介绍

- Designed to increase ability of Americans to communicate with foreign cultures and foster interest in foreign language
- Sponsored by the Department of State and administered by American Councils for International Education and other exchange organizations
- Scholarships for study in Arabic,
  Chinese (Mandarin), Hindi, Korean,
  Persian (Tajiki), Russian, and Turkish
- Academic year (8 to 10 months) or summer programs (6-8 weeks)







### Eligibility 入选条件

- U.S. citizen
- 15-18 years old at the start of the program
- 2.5 or higher GPA on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent)
- Enrolled in high school at time of application
- Not an immediate family member of an employee of ECA Youth Programs Division or an administering organization
- Note: There are additional requirements related to previous participation in ECA Youth Programs. See website for more information.

Previous language study is *not* a requirement





## Key Components 主要内容



结交朋友









### 密集型的语言学习





- Daily (weekday) formal language classes
- Summer programs will complete 120 hours of language study over 6-8 weeks
- Academic Year programs will have at least 10 hours of language instruction per week

### 体验文化、发现文化

- Unique opportunity to be immersed in the cultural landscape of the target language
- Exploration of a variety of cultural aspects including experiencing daily life and eating traditional meals





- Visits to national landmarks and historic and cultural sites
- New understanding of the country through the language and from the perspective of its citizens





和当地人交朋友

- Most students will live with a host family, though some programs use a dorm stay or combination thereof
- Host families provide the opportunity to enhance language learning and experience "real" daily life
- Living with a family helps form crosscultural friendships and ties to the country after the program ends
- Opportunities for making connections with local peers







### 申请材料

#### Personal Information

Contact information for you and your family

- Passport information
- Language Experience
- International Experience

#### Written Portion

- Letter to your prospective host family and language instructors
- Two Essays

#### Additional Documents

- Parent Statement
- Teacher Recommendation
- Copy of Official Transcript
- Photos
- Placement Information
- Terms and Conditions



### 早做申请准备!

**End of October: Application deadline** 

Oct. 27 2016: deadline for 2017 summer and 2071-18

academic year program

**December: Notification of semi-finalist status** 

**Jan-February: Interviews** 

**March: Notification of finalists** 





### Resources 有用资源

- Main NSLI-Y website: www.nsliforyouth.org
- NSLI-Y Interactive: <a href="http://nsliy-interactive.org/">http://nsliy-interactive.org/</a>
- Department of State Resources: http://exchanges.state.gov
- Ask NSLI-Y Alumni
  Facebook group
- Information, announcements, and connection with other applicants and alumni on NSLI-Y's Facebook, Instagram, Twitter pages









### 明尼苏达大学的NSLI一Y项目

- 语言学习
  - 中文课
  - OPI 和HSK 考试



文化活动





## 社区服务



### 还有别的问题吗?







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