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

- 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

语言学习

结交朋友

文化活动

学生留学奖学金 - 留学语言

NSLI FOR YOUTH
Scholarships to Study Language Abroad
• 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
• 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 cross-cultural friendships and ties to the country after the program ends

• Opportunities for making connections with local peers
• **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](http://www.nsliforyouth.org)
- Department of State Resources: [http://exchanges.state.gov](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
2015 CIUMN NSLI-Y Highlights
明尼苏达大学的NSLI－Y项目

- 语言学习
  - 中文课
  - OPI 和 HSK 考试
  - 街头访问
  - 汇报演讲
文化活动
社区服务
还有别的问题吗？

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