FULL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR ROMA

Roma Access Program 2008
Application deadline: 15 November 2007

The Central European University, with the financial support of the Roma Education Fund, Sigrid Rausing Trust, and private donors, is offering a 9-month Preparatory Course for promising young Roma from Central and Eastern Europe. Full scholarships will be awarded, covering travel, tuition, housing and living stipend.

Goal

The goal is to prepare Roma to enter international post-graduate studies (at master’s level) through open competition at CEU, North American or Western European universities and focuses on academic and English language development. The program will:

- involve Roma students in the core degree programs of CEU (auditing CEU classes)
- prepare them for their chosen field of study through intensive training
- accustom them to advanced academic life
- raise their English to a level adequate for post-graduate study
- train them in post-graduate level academic skills

Course

The full-time course will start in April 2008 and last until December 2008. It is a combination of:
1. Discipline specific tutoring (in the fields of Law/Human Rights, Sociology, Gender Studies, Political Science or International Relations and European Studies; additional disciplines may be offered)
2. General Social Science tutoring
3. Academic courses
4. Academic writing
5. English language training

Who can apply?

Young Roma from Central and Eastern Europe (Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, FYR Macedonia, Hungary, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Kosovo, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine) who have:
- A university/college degree in any field (preferably in the Social Sciences or Humanities)
- Strong interest in post-graduate university education
- At least pre-intermediate English language skills
- Desire to study in a multicultural environment

Application

Your application must include:
1. Completed Application Form (in English)
2. CV, including academic background, work experience if any, and involvement in Roma related issues in your country if any (in English)
3. Letter of Intention, stating why you would like to participate in this program (in English)
4. One Reference Letter from a recognized Roma organization – translation into English should be attached if the recommendation is written in local language
5. One Reference Letter from a university professor or your employer – translation into English should be attached if the recommendation is written in local language
6. Official copies (bearing an ink stamp and a signature of a notary public or an authorized university official) and official English translation of all University Documents (diploma and documents showing your grades)

Please send your application package to:
CEU
SEP
Nador u. 9
H-1051 Budapest
Hungary

Or you can also send all required application documents by e-mail to romaac@ceu.hu or by fax to Fax number: 0036 1 327 3190 – please note that ALL ORIGINAL documents must be provided upon arrival in Budapest (if accepted).

Application Deadline

• Application form and CV should be received by 15 November 2007.

• The remaining documents (Letter of Intention, 2 Reference Letters and all University Documents) should be post-marked not later then 15 November 2007*.

* All documents sent via e-mail or fax should be received by 15 November 2007.

Important additional information

• Incomplete or late application packages will not be considered

• Applicants who do not have their diploma by April 2008 cannot be considered

• As a general rule, we cannot provide assistance in accommodating family members

• If you are currently employed, you will not be able to continue your duties as this is a full-time program

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