

UKRAINIAN GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

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CONTEXT



Russia has launched a terrible war against **Ukraine**, but **the war will not last forever**, and preparations for **postwar reconstruction should begin now**.

The speed and success of reconstruction—Ukraine’s national resilience—will depend on the institutional capacities of domestic organizations. Universities in Ukraine, as in other countries, are essential to developing those capacities: they build the nation’s skills base—the essential human capital underlying society, culture, and the economy. Ukrainian universities and research institutions are uniquely positioned to contribute to postwar reconstruction.

The Ukrainian Global University (UGU) launched by the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), Ukraine Global Scholars (UGS), in partnership with other leading universities and educational programs and the Office of the President of Ukraine, will coordinate the emergency response, prioritizing the students, scholars, and scientists facing the most severe threats, and rallying domestic and international assistance.

Our platform ensures that all Ukrainian students, scholars, and fellows receive high-quality education abroad. The initiative aims to unite educational institutions from all continents in their support and solidarity with Ukrainian students and researchers.

We aim to preserve and increase human capital and to bring talented Ukrainians back home to rebuild Ukraine. To this end, we will not only place students but also engage them as a community, develop programming, and provide them with more educational and job market opportunities in the future.



WHAT IS IT?



Ukrainian Global University is a vast network of educational institutions, that join efforts to rebuild Ukraine by supporting Ukrainian high school and university students, scholars, tutors by providing them with scholarships, fellowships and postgraduate programs. This non-profit initiative aims to overcome the devastating consequences of war and bring the best world practices to build a new Ukraine, a proud member of free world nations.

Main government partners:

Office of the President,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Ministry of Education and Science

Our goals

- Preserving human capital
- Multiplying human capital
- Rebuilding Ukraine

How do we achieve that

- Providing opportunities to study and conduct research
- Community building
- Providing incentives and job opportunities

We are selecting the best students from Ukraine

We are matching selected students profiles with Universities needs and requirements

We are creating community and engagement for students to bring them back after study

We are the proactive platform and bridge between universities all over the world and students from Ukraine. This bridge is future of rebuilding of Ukraine.

We are the Bridge for future.

60 educational institutions

2000+ applicants

300+ volunteers

JOIN this initiative



"In their heroic resistance, the brave people of Ukraine have shown exactly why the rest of the world must continue to stand beside them. In the years to come, ensuring that Ukraine's next generation of leaders have the skills and education they need to rebuild their country will be absolutely critical, and the UGU can play a vital role in that effort."

The Honourable Chrystia Freeland

"University of Pittsburgh supports up to 10 scholars with grants to conduct their research in Ukraine. The concept of UGU proposes a globally coordinated response to the urgent need for protecting and investing in the human capital necessary to rebuild the country. A Ukraine-led initiative, UGU could serve as a model for other nations and for higher education institutions around the world."

**Ariel Armony,
Vice Provost for Global Affairs, University of Pittsburgh**

"We are proud to be working hand-in-hand with our colleagues at the Kyiv School of Economics. It is our intention that this MOU both signals our strong support for our colleagues in Kyiv during this period of unspeakable horror, and lays the foundation for future scholarly collaboration."

**Josh Taylor,
Associate Vice Chancellor, New York University**

"Stanford recognized the importance of creating new educational programs for Ukrainians six years ago, when we created The Ukrainian Emerging Leaders Program. The alumni of this program have already made significant changes to improve Ukraine. I endorse UGU and appeal to all other universities in the world to support Ukrainian students and academics."

**Michael McFaul, Professor of Political Science
at Stanford University, Director of Freeman Spogli
Institute for International Studies**

WE BEGAN OUR WORK IN MARCH, AS OF MAY WE...



We have a website endorsed by [the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine](#), [the Embassy of Ukraine in the US](#), and [the Embassy of Ukraine to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland](#).

We have a team of 200+ volunteers working from 35 countries.

We signed more than 40 memorandums with universities in Europe, Canada, and the US who offered more than 960 educational opportunities (e.g., undergrad and grad scholarships, certificates, summer schools, online courses).

Our database includes more than 1500 Ukrainian students, 45% of them are outside of Ukraine, and other 55% are in Ukraine (displaced). 25% of them would like to study economics, business, management, 12% would like to study math and natural science, 10% computer science, and 10% law. Others would like to study political science, sociology, history, literature, architecture, languages.

40% of them are in highschool and want to study as undergrad (bachelor) students in top universities around the world. Others would like to study at MA and PhD programs.

We already reviewed 30% of the applicants, issued more 200+ Duolingo certificates, and set up committees for interviews. Each committee includes at least one person with a PhD degree. 40% of applicants passed Duolingo with more than 120 points.

By the end of May we will place our first applicants.

WE SEEK PARTNERSHIP FOR

Placing excellent student to universities:
Boarding schools / Colleges/BA/MA/PhD

Fundraising to support our students with scholarships,
dormitories, and emergency funds

Public communication and community building

TEAM

Oleksandr Akymenko

co-founder of Ukrainian Emerging Leaders Program at Stanford.

Dr. Tymofii Brik

Vice-president of international affairs at Kyiv School of Economics.

Dr. Yevhen Kudriavets

Deputy Director for International Relations and Strategic Projects in UNESCO Center Junior Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. GM for Science Museum of Kyiv.

Julia Lemesh

President, Board Member at Ukraine Global Scholars Foundation, one of initiators of the UGU.

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