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Access Program 20th Anniversary Regional Summit and Training

Kathmandu, Nepal

A program sponsored by the Regional English Language Office, United States Embassy Kathmandu, Nepal and implemented by the Nepal English Language Teachers' Association (NELTA)

Venue: The Malla Hotel, Leknath Marg, Kathmandu, Nepal

Date: June 7-11, 2024




Access
Language Proficiency Center (LPC)
ACCESS INTENSIVE CAMP 2022
Tree Plantation
Taking Actions Towards Supporting our Communities and Environment
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ENVIROMENT
KEEP
PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT
POLLUTION
SUCIDE
HARMFUL FOR EARTH




Access
GEST
Graduation Ceremony
Wednesday, March 1, 2023

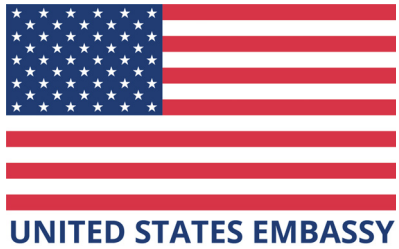








English Access Scholarship Program





The English Access Scholarship Program (Access) provides a foundation of English language skills to bright, economically disadvantaged students, primarily between the ages of 13 to 20, in their home countries. Access programs give participants English skills that may lead to better jobs and educational prospects.

Participants also gain the ability to compete for and participate in future exchanges and study in the United States.

Since its inception in 2004, approximately 200,000 students in more than 80 countries have participated in the Access Program.

Source:https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/english-access-microscholarship-program

Access Program in Nepal



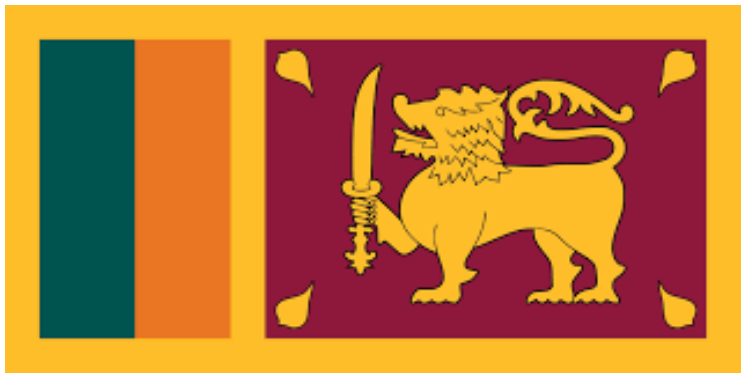
Since 2011, Nepal has had more than 1,600 Access graduates throughout the country. Access providers in Nepal have managed classes in locations in a wide variety of environments—from the hilly and mountainous regions to the Terai plain and all the way to Western Nepal. More than 150 teachers have also taught in Access Nepal and many have advanced their careers through participating in OPEN courses, the TESOL International Convention in the USA, and the Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program (TEA). The current locations of Access Nepal are Bhaktapur, Chitwan, Kaski, Lamjung, and Udayapur. Access Nepal continues to conduct outstanding end-of-program camps and community service activities. NELTA recently conducted an outstanding alumni conference for more than 200 students and teachers.

Access Program in Bangladesh



Starting in 2004, the Access Program in Bangladesh has reached more than 1,200 students in four locations (Dhaka, Chattogram, Rajshahi, and Sylhet). Embassy Dhaka has done outstanding work collaborating with The Language Proficiency Center and GEIST Center not only to provide high quality student programming, but also excellent training opportunities for its teachers. Bangladesh Access teachers and alumni have been selected for a number of prestigious exchange programs to the United States, such as: The Teaching in Excellence and Achievement Program (TEA), the Community College Initiative (CCI) Program, and the YES program. Bangladesh student alumni have also proven to be extremely active in serving their communities after they graduate from the Access Program, performing projects such as: climate change awareness campaigns and distributing clothing and blankets to those in need.

Access Program in Sri Lanka



Started in 2004, Sri Lanka has had a long-running and highly successful Access Program. Embassy Colombo has worked with seven provider organizations to implement the program and now enjoys strong relationships with SIPLEE (Smart International) and Without Borders. More than 1,300 students have participated in Access in Sri Lanka at locations throughout the country. Sri Lankan Access teachers are known for their innovative lesson design, resulting in their students making great strides in their communicative competence during the program. Sri Lankan teachers have also participated in a variety of teacher training courses and U.S. State Department exchange programs. Access alumni in Sri Lanka have gone on to some of the country's premier universities and have begun careers in a variety of professions. Current locations in Sri Lanka are: Kurunegala, Nuwara Eliya, Elpitiya, Trincomalee, and Jaffna.

Program Schedule

FHI360 Training Team:

Training Facilitators: Emily Anderson, Ami Christensen, Lisa Morgan
Global Access Program Director: Laurie Hackett
South Central Asia Program Officer: Abigail Wacker

Day One: June 7, 2024 Friday

Time		Notes
8:45-9:15	**Opening Ceremony** (Malla Plaza)	**Full Group**
9:15- 10:30	**Getting Started** • Workshop goals and expectations • Ice-breakers	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
10:30-10:45	**Tea Break**	
10:45-12:00	**Introduction to Materials** (Malla Plaza) • How the four Access pillars and COP can support your classroom • Lesson plan structure & strategies	**Full Group**
12:00-1:00	**Lunch Break**	
1:00-2:30	**Public Art as Advocacy: Experience the Lesson Plan** • Facilitators will teach the lesson, allowing participants to experience the lesson as a student.	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
2:30-2:45	Tea Break	
2:45-4:00	**Public Art as Advocacy: Analyzing Lesson Themes, Activities, and Techniques** • Review themes in the lesson plan • Identify Access pillars in the lesson plan • Discuss specific techniques and teaching strategies from the lesson plan	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)

Day Two: June 8, 2024 Saturday

Time		Notes
8:45- 9:15	**Warm-up and Quick Q & A from Day One**	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
9:15-10:30	**Public Art as Advocacy: Adapting Activities and Techniques for Your Classroom** • Personalize learning for the local context • Differentiate learning for age, proficiency level, and learner needs • Lesson extensions and additional resources	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
10:30-10:45	**Tea Break**	
10:45-12:00	**Public Art as Advocacy: Preparing for Microteaching** • Overview of microteaching • Model of microteaching and group roles • Brainstorming activities for microteaching	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
12:00 -1:00	**Lunch break**	
1:00-2:30	**Public Art as Advocacy: Microteaching** • Conduct microteaching activity in smaller groups of 6-8 participants	**3 breakout rooms** (Malla Plaza, Tara Hall and Business Center)
2:30-2:45	**Tea Break**	
2:45-4:00	**Reflect & Share** (Malla Plaza) • Reflect on microteaching/workshop activities • Short preview of additional lesson plans from Advocacy & Awareness through Art unit • Share local/national experiences with Access • Offer suggestions for future improvements and professional development	**Full Group**

Day Three: June 9, 2024 Sunday

Time		Notes
8:45-9:00	**Welcome Speech: Roger Cohen, RELO** (Malla Plaza)	
9:00-09:30	**Icebreakers** Facilitator: FHI360 Training Facilitators	
9:30-11:00	**Sample Access Lesson** Facilitator: FHI360 Training Facilitators	
11:00-11:15	**Tea Break**	
11:15-11:45	**Sharing Access Experiences Part One** Facilitator: Ashok Sapkota	One Notetaker
11:45-12:00	**Remarks and Interaction** Charges d' affaires Jason P. Meeks	
12:00-1:00	**Lunch**	
1:00-2:00	**Sharing Access Experiences Part Two** Facilitator: Sudip Neupane	One Notetaker
2:00-2:45	**Access Alumni Activities** Facilitator: Bishwa Raj Gautam	One Notetaker
2:45-3:00	**Tea Break**	
3:00-4:00	**Access Alumni Action Plans** Facilitator: Bishwa Raj Gautam	One Notetaker
4:00-4:20	**Closing Ceremony** Facilitator: Sudip Neupane	

Day Four: June 10, 2024 Monday

Time		Notes
8:45-9:00	**Morning Welcome** (Malla Plaza) Prof. Dr. Laxman Gnawali, NELTA President	
9:00-9:10	**Building Professional Skills to Be Effective Alumni: Introduction** Facilitator: Roger Cohen	
9:10-10:10	**Serving Others: Developing Ourselves** Facilitator: Ashbin Kumar Pudasaini	
10:10-10:25	Tea Break	
10:25-11:10	**Sparking Your Ideas** **Entrepreneurship:** Sunita Nhemaphuki **Career Development:** Sudip Neupane **Success Story:** Sujit Prasad Kushwaha, Access Alumnus Nepal **Success Story:** Tanvir Ahmad, Access Alumnus Bangladesh **Success Story:** Kuruppu Arachchige Lakindu Oshadha Kuruppu Arachchi, Access Alumnus Sri Lanka **Facilitator:** Prof. Dr. Laxman Gnawali	Experts and alumni on stage for presentation.
11:20-12:00	**Sparking Your Ideas: Discussion Stations** Facilitator: Prof. Dr. Laxman Gnawali	Discussion in 5 stations.
12:00-1:00	Lunch	
1:00-1:15	**Energizer** Facilitator: Andre Perez & Erica Miller	
1:15-2:30	**Building Professional Skills: Pitching Your Ideas** Facilitator: Shyam Swarup Khanal	
2:30-2:45	Tea Break	
2:45-4:00	**Building Professional Skills: Writing Mini-Proposals** Facilitator: Roger Cohen	
4:00	**Wrap-Up** Facilitator: Roger Cohen	

Day Five: June 11, 2024 Tuesday

Time		Notes
8:45-9:00	**Morning Warm-up** Facilitator: FHI360 Training Facilitators	
9:00-9:30	**State Department Alumni Opportunities** (Malla Plaza) Facilitator: Rekha Giri	
9:30-11:00	**Building Professional Skills: Career Development** Facilitator: Apekshya Pradhan	
11:00-11:15	**Tea Break**	
11:15-12:15	**Building Professional Skills: Technological Skills** Facilitator: Dr. Shreedhar Marasini	
12:15-1:15	**Lunch**	
1:15-2:15	**Building Professional Skills: Putting It All Together** Facilitator: Roger Cohen	
2:15-2:35	**Closing Ceremony** Facilitator: Sudip Neupane	
2:35 onwards	**Walking Tour to Kathmandu Durbar Square** Facilitator: Bikas Rimal	