



What is the Ecourse4?

Ecourse4 is an online professional technical and soft skills training for emerging community leaders between 18-28 years old in Uganda. Ecourse4 adopts a learning curriculum on 4 major thematic areas: leadership, project management, civic participation, and fundraising across 4 cohorts. Funded by the U.S. Mission in Kampala, the training is administered with our partners at Michigan State University (MSU) Alliance for African Partnerships (AAP), Makerere University (MaK), and experts from the private sector and Civil Society in Uganda.

Who is Eligible for the Ecourse4?

You should be between 18-28year old, with a minimum academic qualification of an “A level”, certificate. Diploma and/or Degree from a recognized school/institution in Uganda are accepted. Applicants should have relevant computer literacy and digital use skills and should be a resident of Kampala, Wakiso, Gulu, and Dokolo districts.

Can students apply for the Ecourse4?

Yes, admission to the Ecourse4 is open to all including ongoing students and out of school young people who meet the eligibility criteria and can commit time to the Ecourse4 schedule. Students may be requested to provide a support letter from their schools, institution, parents, caregivers or lecturer to confirm that the applicant will commit a surmountable time to completion of the Ecourse4.

How long is the Ecourse4?

The Ecourse4 is a cohort-based program that will last one 1month per cohort. During the month-long training, fellows will sign up on the Michigan State University (MSU) AAP Bridge, learn and engage in highly intense short lectures, discussions facilitated by alumni of U.S. Department of State exchange programs, experts at MSU alongside local experts from the private sector, and civil society in Uganda.

What features in the Ecourse4?

The Ecourse4 features an in-person orientation workshop, didactical short lectures in the form of videos, podcasts, PowerPoint presentations, articles and live sessions on zoom. On successful completion of the Ecourse4, fellows receive a certificate of acquired skills.

How do I enroll for Ecourse4?

The Ecourse4 is completely free, merit-based and adopts a highly competitive recruitment process. Applicants will apply for the program through an Expression of Interest (EOI) sent to ecourse4.app@mfa-ug.com and successful applicants will be invited for a virtual interview.

Why the Ecourse4?

The Ecourse4 offers emerging community leaders in Uganda a unique opportunity to learn, and expand their networks with connection to US experts, US-based Ugandans, experts in the private sector and civil society in Uganda. Fellows will be accorded an internet allowance to cater for their internet needs. The program creates a new vibrant professional network of 200 young people in Uganda with links to the U.S. Mission Kampala and MFAI affiliate institutions.

Are Alumni of MFAI programs still be eligible for the Ecourse4?

No, alumni of previous or ongoing MFAI projects and programs are not eligible for the Ecourse4