

Dear students, parents, faculty and administrative staff,

Despite our deepest regrets, Ukraine is currently unfortunately become a battlefield where the future freedom and peaceful development not only for Ukraine, but also for some former Soviet Union countries and the overall order in Central Europe is to be decided.

Geographically, Ukraine has always been a part of Central Europe and its social development has been an integral part of European history. For centuries, Czechs have shared a common homeland with the populations living in current western regions of Ukraine, including Subcarpathian Ruthenia. Therefore, it is only natural that we share the concern, fear and consternation of our Ukrainian colleagues, fellow citizens and friends about what the aggressive attack from the East, South and North, will do to their country.

The Founders of Anglo-American University are well aware of these contexts and concerns as well as of the fact that it is the Ukrainian people who are currently carrying the burden of defending our common democratic values and AAU as a whole feels the need to act in order to offer relevant support to Ukraine.

Therefore, AAU has decided to grant ten (10) scholarships to refugee-applicants and refugee-students from Ukraine for a full degree program at AAU. The scholarship will include tuition, housing and an allowance.

Knowing that this is just a tiny fragment of what Ukraine currently needs in the big picture, we hope that this humble gesture will be perceived as what it is our genuine and deeply felt solidarity with Ukraine!

Further, we would like to emphasize once again that our thoughts are with our 41 Ukrainian students and their families, as well as our employees from Ukraine, who we would like to encourage to reach out for any specific support AAU might be able to offer to them. Equally, we would like to acknowledge the difficult situation for our 61 Russian students and to stress that students from both countries continue to always be equally welcome to study in peace at AAU, with no distinctions. We are proud that both nations have been an important and integral part of the student body in the 32 year long history of Anglo-American University in Prague.

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