Washington, D.C. – The U.S. English Foundation today announces the winner of its annual scholarship for an American graduate student pursuing a career in teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) within the United States. This scholarship is offered every year and receives numerous applicants from all across the country.

Cassandra Kramer, a native of Allentown, PA, is awarded a $1,500 scholarship as she finishes her Master’s degree in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) at the University of Delaware. A graduate of Temple University with a degree in Broadcast Journalism, Kramer is preparing for a career as an ESL instructor and has spent time in Ecuador teaching English at rural elementary schools. She believes that “knowing English is vital and extremely important for [immigrants] success” and that “English can provide more educational and career opportunities for immigrants here in the United States.”

“It is an honor to present Cassandra Kramer with this scholarship as she works to improve the lives of all immigrants by assisting in their learning of our common language, English,” said Mauro E. Mujica, Chairman of the Board/CEO of the U.S. English Foundation. “As a naturalized American citizen and immigrant from Chile, I understand the challenges immigrants face when they come to America. Students like Cassandra are an asset to the nation and absolutely imperative in ensuring everyone in
this country has the same opportunities as those who came before us. And that requires having a firm grasp on the English language.”

The U.S. English Foundation ESL scholarship is a program of the U.S. English Foundation, a nonpartisan, Washington, D.C.-based educational foundation that promotes opportunities for people living in the United States to learn English.

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