The Applied Learning Program (ALP) is a selective part of the Personal and Professional Development (PPD) and reflects the commitment of the MAE program to help students develop skills related to real world applications of their studies. Students get personal experience with elements of applied economics related to marketing and management of human resources. They will collaborate on specific projects and receive written feedback by the program staff.

Each year the exact tasks within the ALP are different. Here are some examples of the ALP tasks performed by fellows in previous years:

- project management of PPD career talks and workshops;
- help in developing better recruiting and admission strategies for the program;
- compiling a list of channels to target potential students in specific countries;
- looking for financing aid options for the program applicants;
- managing relations with potential employers;
- running the MA in Applied Economics students blog, FB pages, Instagram.

The ALP will run in two sessions, copying the academic calendar of the Fall and Spring Semesters.

Details of the Fellowship

- **Number**: up to three (3) assistantships available in each Fall and Spring semesters, totally up to 6 assistantships per academic year.
- **Eligibility**: Students from any country eligible to apply to the MA in Applied Economics program at CERGE-EI are eligible for the ALP Fellowship. The ALP is only available for students who are enrolled in the MA in Applied Economics program full time; part-time students are not eligible. Each student is eligible for at most one ALP assistantship per semester but can take two assistantships in a row.
- **Value**: Students with satisfactory performance in the ALP are eligible for a merit-based ALP fellowship worth 1,000 USD per semester of engagement. The fellowship will be administered as a tuition discount. Students are not eligible for any form of cash compensation.
- **Application deadline**: first round – 30 November, 2020; second round – 31 March, 2021, at midnight CET. You have to apply to the MA in Applied Economics program by the same deadline to be considered for the ALP Fellowship.

Application

Students should apply to the ALP Fellowship by sending a motivation letter to mae.study@cerge-ei.cz with the subject line “ALP application”. Please note that you still need to write your regular motivation letter to apply for the program.

The Program Director may decide to run interviews for the ALP.

The decision on assistantships will be made together with the admissions decision. There is no automatic right to participate in the ALP program, nor to the ALP Fellowship.