



**NOT ALL LEARNING HAPPENS
IN THE CLASSROOM.**

AWARD SECTIONS

VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Serve others and make a positive impact in the community

PHYSICAL RECREATION

Get active and improve your physical and mental wellbeing

SKILLS

Improve your skills in current passions or develop new talents

ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY

Work as a team to gain a deeper appreciation of the great outdoors

GOLD PROJECT

Embrace an unfamiliar environment and engage with others on a meaningful project

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a personalized experiential learning program for young people ages 14 to 24. A young person earns the Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award by working towards individual goals in the areas of Physical Recreation, Skills, Voluntary Service, and an Adventurous Journey, plus a Gold Project at the Gold Level.

With the support and guidance of an Award Leader mentor, participants achieve an internationally recognized credential and develop essential life skills that are exactly what universities and employers look for in applicants. **The virtual Open Award Center makes the program accessible to young people across the United States!**

AWARD LEVELS



Bronze

Age: 14+ years

Time Required: Minimum 6 months



Silver

Age: 15+ years

Time Required: Minimum 12 months



Gold

Age: 16+ years

Time Required: Minimum 18 months

Learn more at www.usaward.org/oacwelcome or email info@usaward.org!

BENEFITS

OF THE AWARD

- Official recognition for outside the classroom learning to **include on college and job applications**
- Online system to **record activities**, such as service hours
- Opportunity to build **socialization skills and enhance personal wellness**
- Promotes essential **life skills**
- Increase **leadership, goal setting, and resilience**
- Create **lifelong memories** and have fun along the way!



1 MILLION
participants per year



Active now in
130+ COUNTRIES
and territories



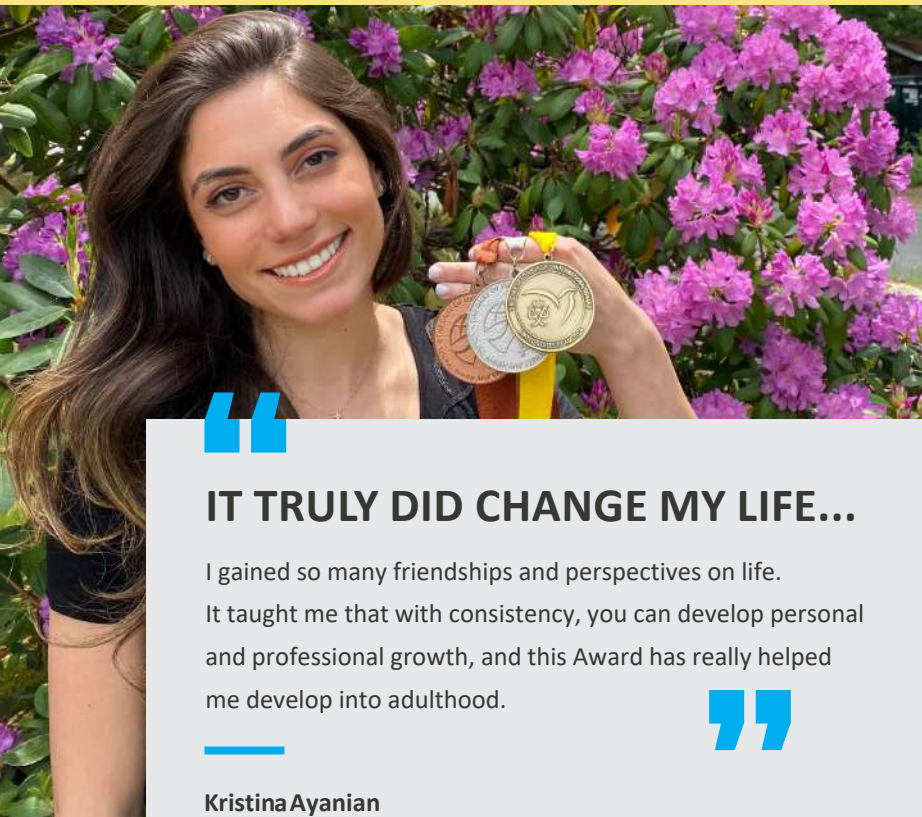
Trusted
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
program since 1956



A UNIQUE
international credential



Holistic
FRAMEWORK
to encourage a well
rounded set of activities



IT TRULY DID CHANGE MY LIFE...

I gained so many friendships and perspectives on life. It taught me that with consistency, you can develop personal and professional growth, and this Award has really helped me develop into adulthood.



Kristina Ayanian

Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award Holder
New York City, NY

STEPS TO JOIN THE VIRTUAL OPEN AWARD CENTER

1. Review program requirements on our OAC webpage: <https://usaward.org/oacwelcome/>
2. Officially register for the Online Record Book following the instructions on the webpage.
3. During the registration process, submit payment for your respective Award Level:
Bronze: \$100
Silver: \$125
Gold: \$150
(*Note: Need-based financial aid is available.*)
4. Your Alumni Award Leader, who is a trained and vetted Award USA staff member, will reach out to set up an onboarding call and provide ongoing mentorship and guidance.
5. Select your activities, set your goals, and begin your Award journey!

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