

What is an American Center?

The American Center, also known as the former Information Resource Center (IRC) is the research and information service of the Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Embassy. It provides authoritative and up-to-date information about the United States, including its policies, its social and political processes, and its people. Its main aim is to reflect contemporary America to Burundi and its resources are intended to meet the information needs of university students, government and community leaders, journalists, researchers, academics and other professionals interested in the United States. Most of the programs are offered in English.

Membership is free and open to the public. Members must be residents in Burundi. You can apply for the membership online by completing the google form on this link: <https://bit.ly/ACTRBUJ>



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**American
Spaces**

Our Programs:

1. English Language Programs:

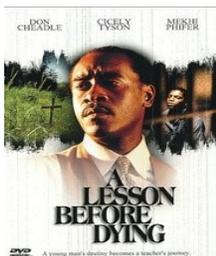
- ◆ **American English Webinar Series** : AE Webinar series is an online training course that attracts professional teachers of English language of all levels. This six week-long training provides modern English language teaching skills for all types of teaching environment. Participants are encouraged to



register from their nearest American center or at the embassy. The course

happens every other Wednesday and after each series, each participant receive a certificate of completion.

- ◆ **MOVIE CLUB**: The American film is screened every Thursday in the afternoon, and the discussion follows right after the movie. The movie is chosen in line with the monthly theme. This section allows participants to increase their listening and speaking skills.



- ◆ **DEBATE CLUB**: During this section, a discussion is developed around a monthly theme. Attendees sharpen their speaking skills in a form of a debate.



expressions.



- ◆ **English In Minute**: A VOA English learning-based program, this 60 second long short video allows patrons to get a

- ◆ **Let's Learn English**: Let's learn English is a program where patrons have the opportunity to learn English, new grammatical structures, new vocabularies and good pronunciation of words through videos .

- ◆ **MOOCs**: A massive open online course is an online course aimed at unlimited participation and open access via the web. In addition to traditional course materials such as filmed lectures, readings, and problem sets, many MOOCs provide interactive user forums to support community interactions among students .



2. Cultural Programs

- ◆ **Entrepreneurship**: This monthly program allows American center's participants to grab basic entrepreneurship skills.

- ◆ **TED CLUB**: A weekly program whereby participants listen to and screen influential videos from expert speakers on education, business, science, tech and creativity.



3. Educational advising:

EducationUSA offers tools to those who want to study in the

United States in U.S colleges and universities.

4. Information about the U.S



- ◆ **The PD planner** provides key dates and of events celebrated in the U.S.

- ◆ **Interactive Web Chats**: It is an online presentation and discussion whereby participants get time to ask questions to the expert on different subjects.
- ◆ **eLibraryUSA**: The American Center offers free access to a wide range of English-language databases from publishers such as JSTOR, Gale, Scholastic, and National Geographic .

