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Solana Ecosystem Outreach Hubs for Ukrainian Founders: Academic, Commercial & Media Directory

Section 1:
Specialized Blockchain Academic Hubs & Research Laboratories (Ready for Partnership)

1. National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (NaUKMA)
- Platform Name: NaUKMA Master's Certificate Program: "Blockchain Technologies"
- Type of platform: Higher Education Institution / Active Graduate Program
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: The first comprehensive master's certificate program in Ukraine and Eastern Europe dedicated to blockchain development. The curriculum focuses on smart contract programming, DeFi algorithmic architectures, and crypto-economics. The audience consists of advanced graduate students and software engineers.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: It holds the highest concentration of specialized academic Web3 engineering talent in Ukraine. Founders can pitch their protocols as live case studies, host local builder workshops, or hire ready-to-work junior developers.
Host names or contact information: Kyrylo Horokhovskyi (Head of the Master's Certificate Program "Blockchain Technologies").
  - Link to the platform or a representative example: NaUKMA Blockchain Program
  - Portal: https://www.ukma.edu.ua/index.php/news/5240-u-naukma-startuie-persha-v-ukraini-ta-skhidnii-yevropi-mahisterska-sertyfikatna-prohrama-blokchein-tekhnolohii

2. State University of Information and Communication Technologies (DUIKT, Kyiv)
- Platform Name: Department of Digital Development Technologies (Global Blockchain Center Member)
- Type of platform: Tech University Department / Academic Alliance Node
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: A specialized tech university department that officially integrated blockchain modules via the international Blockchain Center initiative. They focus on software engineering, distributed data paradigms, and regular student meetups with tech-sector executives.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: Since the local teaching faculty is already trained through standardized global crypto frameworks, the university is highly receptive to Web3 ecosystem collaborations. It is an exceptional venue for organizing large-scale student AMAs and educational dev-webinars.
- Host names or contact information: Dr. Viktoriia Zhebka (Head of the Department of Digital Development Technologies) / Email: v.zhebka@duikt.edu.ua`
- Link to the platform or a representative example: https://duikt.edu.ua/ua/2586-kafedra-tehnologiy-cifrovogo-rozvitku-kafedri
https://duikt.edu.ua/ua/news-1-570-15720-aspirant-kafedri-informaciynih-sistem-ta-tehnologiy-vzyav-uchast-u-kripto-konferencii-incrypted-conference-2026-v-kievi_kafedra-informaciynih-sistem-ta-tehnologiy
https://duikt.edu.ua/ua/news-1-830-15646-blockchain-ta-kriptovalyuti-v-duikt-vidbulasya-zustrich-z-predstavnikom-it-industrii_kafedra-tehnologiy-cifrovogo-rozvitku

3. Borys Grinchenko Kyiv Metropolitan University
- Platform Name: DeFiLab (Scientific Research Laboratory)
- Type of platform: University Scientific Laboratory / Academic Hub
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: A specialized university research laboratory focusing strictly on decentralized finance (DeFi) primitives, tokenomics modeling, and digital asset integration into mainstream economic processes.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: DeFiLab acts as an academic incubator. It is open to hosting peer-reviews of startup tokenomics, organizing educational guest lectures, and introducing Solana protocols to young financial researchers.
- Host names or contact information: Faculty of Information Technologies and Mathematics (Deputy Dean Serhgii Obushnyi) / General Inquiry: s.obushnyi@kubg.edu.ua
- Host names or contact information: Faculty of Economics and Management (Dean Viacheslav Osadchii) / General Inquiry: v.osadchyi@kubg.edu.ua
Link to the platform or a representative example: https://defilab.kubg.edu.ua

4. State University "Zhytomyr Polytechnic"
- Platform Name: Department of Finance and Digital Economics / Master's Track: "Blockchain, Innovation Management and Disruptive Technology"
- Type of platform: State Technical University / Specialized Master's Curriculum
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: A dedicated Master's program designed to evaluate alternative cryptographic frameworks, Layer-1 scaling solutions, consensus trade-offs, and tokenization models within corporate finance.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: This is a rare academic hub where students analyze web3 from an institutional financial and business perspective. It is a brilliant platform for Solana DeFi, DePIN, or RWA (Real World Asset) projects looking for builders who understand the economic logic behind the code.
- Host names or contact information: Dr. Olena Denysiuk - Head of the Department of Finance and Digital Economics / Email: `dig2eco@ztu.edu.ua`
- Link to the platform or a representative example: Zhytomyr Polytechnic Program Curriculum
https://dig2eco.ztu.edu.ua/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/blockchain-innovation-management-and-disruptive-technology.pdf

5. Ivan Franko National University of Lviv (LNU)
- Platform Name: Faculty of Financial Management and Business / Course: "Blockchain and Business Processes"
- Type of platform: Public University / Regional Tech-Economic Hub
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: A highly structured regional academic curriculum evaluating blockchain integration, decentralized transaction mechanics, and tokenomics models within Western Ukraine's premier university.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: Ideal for presenting consumer-facing dApps or DAO structures. The students are actively trained to evaluate how decentralized ledger tools upgrade corporate governance and retail financial systems.
- Host names or contact information: Faculty Management Team financial@lnu.edu.ua
- Link to the platform or a representative example: LNU Blockchain Curriculum Documentation

https://financial.lnu.edu.ua/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Blokcheyn-ta-biznes-protsesy-NP-2025.pdf

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Section 2: Cross-Disciplinary & Niche Academic Hubs (Crypto-Law, Logistics, and AgriTech)

6. National University "Odesa Law Academy" (NUOLA)

- Platform Name: Faculty of Cybersecurity and Digital Technologies
- Type of platform: Legal Higher Education Institution / Tech-Compliance Hub
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: This faculty bridges classic legal structures with digital technology. They actively study the legal status of virtual assets in Ukraine, smart contract enforcement, IP rights in Web3 (NFTs), and compliance with European legal frameworks like MiCA.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: Solana projects often require strict regulatory compliance and legal structuring when operating globally or locally. This faculty provides an ideal platform to host joint legal-tech hackathons, evaluate legal tech stack implementations, or discuss DAO legal frameworks.
- Host names or contact information: Faculty Management Team via official portal contacts.
- Link to the platform or a representative example: NUOLA Faculty of Cybersecurity https://www.onua.edu.ua/ua/pro-fkit
- https://www.onua.edu.ua/ua/pro-kafedru-ai-ta-mat-modeliuvannia

7. National Aviation University (NAU / Kyiv Tech)

- Platform Name: Faculty of Transport, Management and Logistics / Digital Infrastructure Division
- Type of platform: Specialized Technical University / Logistics Infrastructure Department
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: This department focuses heavily on modern supply chain management, cargo tracking automation, and fleet deployment utilizing distributed ledger technology (blockchain).
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: Solana’s high speed and minimal transaction fees make it the premier L1 framework for tracing real-world supply chains or deploying DePIN protocols (Decentralized Physical Infrastructure Networks). This faculty provides an industry-oriented audience eager to upgrade legacy logistics systems.
- Host names or contact information: Faculty Management via ftml@nau.edu.ua
- Link to the platform or a representative example: NAU Faculty of Transport and Logistics https://ftml.nau.edu.ua
https://atmd.nau.edu.ua/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/%D0%A1%D0%B8%D0%BB%D0%B0%D0%B1%D1%83%D1%81_%D0%91%D0%BB%D0%BE%D0%BA%D1%87%D0%B5%D0%B9%D0%BD-%D1%82%D0%B5%D1%85%D0%BD%D0%BE%D0%BB%D0%BE%D0%B3%D1%96%D1%97-%D1%82%D0%B0-%D1%86%D0%B8%D1%84%D1%80%D0%BE%D0%B2%D1%96%D0%B7%D0%B0%D1%86%D1%96%D1%8F-%D0%B2-%D1%82%D1%80%D0%B0%D0%BD%D1%81%D0%BF%D0%BE%D1%80%D1%82%D1%96%D0%B9-%D0%B3%D0%B0%D0%BB%D1%83%D0%B7%D1%96.pdf

8. National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine (NUBiP, Kyiv)
- Platform Name: Faculty of Information Technologies / Digital Agriculture & AgriTech Track
- Type of platform: Agrarian Technical University / Specialized IT Faculty
- Brief description of the platform's audience/focus: The premier agrarian-tech educational node in Ukraine. Their IT faculty focuses heavily on IoT (Internet of Things) integration, automated tracking, and using blockchain architectures to verify the origin and secure supply chains of agricultural products.
- Why it's a good fit for Solana founders: Ukraine possesses a massive agricultural sector. Solana founders working on real-world asset tokenization (RWA), decentralized commodities trading, or carbon credit tracking can leverage this faculty to pitch use cases directly to specialized agricultural engineers and data scientists.
- Host names or contact information: Faculty of IT Administration / General: info@nubip.edu.ua
- Link to the platform or a representative example: NUBiP Faculty of IT Official https://nubip.edu.ua
https://nubip.edu.ua/events/cherhova-zustrich-z-uchnyamy-cherkashchyny

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Section 3: Target Index: Core Ukrainian IT & Computer Science Faculties

The following directory outlines the premier Information Technology, Software Engineering, and Cyber Security faculties across Ukraine. These platforms act as regional gatekeepers to engineering talent and are highly receptive to ecosystem guest meetups, Web3 career workshops, and developer hackathons.

Kyiv Region (Capital Tech Cluster)

University Name	Specific IT Faculty/ Department	Official Website / Program Link
National Technical University of Ukraine "KPI"	Faculty of Informatics and Computer Science (FIOT)	https://fiot.kpi.ua
National Technical University of Ukraine "KPI"	Faculty of Applied Mathematics (FPM)	https://fpm.kpi.ua
Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (KNU)	Faculty of Computer Science and Cybernetics	https://csc.knu.ua
SET University	Department of Web3 Tech and Computer Science	https://www.setuniversity.edu.ua
Kyiv School of Economics (KSE)	Department of Computer Science & Analytics	https://kse.ua

Western Ukraine Region (Software Development & R&D Cluster)

University Name	**Specific IT Faculty / Department**	**Official Website / Program Link**
Lviv Polytechnic National University	Institute of Computer Science and IT (ICIT)	https://lpnu.ua/ikit https://lpnu.ua/news/kafedra-finansiv-zaproshuie-vykladachiv-ta-studentiv-inem-na-tsykl-hostovykh-lektsii
Ukrainian Catholic University (UCU)	Faculty of Applied Sciences (Computer Science Hub)	https://apps.ucu.edu.ua
Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University	Department of Computer Systems Software	https://pzks.chnu.edu.ua https://pzks.chnu.edu.ua/osvitnii-protses/dystsypliny-iaki-zabezpechuie-kafedra/tekhnolohii-blockchain/
Lutsk National Technical University (LNTU)	Faculty of Computer and Information Technologies	https://lntu.edu.ua
West Ukrainian National University (WUNU)	Faculty of Computer Information Technologies	https://fkit.wunu.edu.ua

Southern & Central Ukraine Region (Infrastructure & Technical Nodes)

University Name	Specific IT Faculty / Department	Official Website / Program Link
National University "Odesa Polytechnic"	Institute of Computer Systems & Software Engineering	https://op.edu.ua
Dnipro Polytech National Technical University	Faculty of Information Technologies	https://it.fit.di.edu.ua
Vinnytsia National Technical University (VNTU)	Faculty of Information Technologies & Computing	https://vntu.edu.ua
State University of Intellectual Technologies	Faculty of Computer Engineering and Cyber Security	https://suitt.edu.ua

Northeastern Region (Advanced Engineering Powerhouses)

University Name	**Specific IT Faculty / Department**	**Official Website / Program Link**

Kharkiv National University of Radio Electronics	Faculty of Computer Science (NURE)	https://nure.ua
National Technical University "Kharkiv Polytechnic"	Institute of Computer Science and IT	https://www.kpi.kharkov.ua
Sumy State University (SumDU)	Faculty of Electronics and Information Technologies	https://sumdu.edu.ua
Chernihiv Polytechnic National University	Faculty of Electronic and Information Technologies	https://stu.cn.ua

Summary Strategic Note:

By shifting the focus of ecosystem outreach toward this multi-disciplinary academic matrix, Solana Foundation and Superteam Ukraine can unlock high-retention onboarding pipelines. Targeting pre-validated blockchain programs (e.g., NaUKMA, DUIKT, DeFiLab) yields access to structured Web3 talent. Concurrently, engaging adjacent sectors (Crypto-Law, Logistics, and AgriTech) allows Solana founders to seed real-world asset (RWA) tokenization and DePIN deployments across Ukraine's core educational framework.

As an option: The Faculty of Information Technologies, the Faculty of Economics and Management, and the Laboratory of Decentralized Finance of the Grinchenko Kyiv Metropolitan University are already partners of Superteam Ukraine and Solana. On the basis of the university, any educational and information activities can be created, including involving other specialties - journalism, marketing, law, international relations. There are also venues for holding educational and scientific conferences and seminars involving scientists from other universities, including foreign ones.

As a rule, most seminars and conferences are open to presenting technological practical results and are ready to conduct further research. Meeting format: online or offline, holding conferences, informal meetings, open lectures, organizing internships with students, hackathons, competitions, etc.