

ENERGY -CREATIVITY -SOLIDARITY

Become an international volunteer with us in Łódź, Poland!

FROM SEPTEMBER 2020 TO AUGUST 2021 FOR 11 MONTHS

Join our educational ESC project and volunteer in a Polish library, kindergarten or primary school.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO EXPERIENCE A UNIQUE ADVENTURE?

CHANGE YOUR LIFE FOR THE BETTER?

OR MAYBE YOU ARE WONDERING WHAT YOUR NEXT STEP IN LIFE WILL BE?

EXPERIENCE VOLUNTEERING WITH US!

- If you are 18 to 30 years old
- from EU countries, the Balkans or Eastern Europe
- available 11 months and starting between September and November
- interested in educational work with various
- groups, especially children
 you can communicate at least at a basic level of English
- you're open-minded and willing to live and work in a very diverse environment
- you're ready to work 30 hours weekly
- you can handle challenges and changes

THIS PROJECT IS FOR YOU!

WHAT DOES OUR VOLUNTARY WORK INVOLVE?

Name	Library
Target group	Seniors/Children/General public
Tasks	 conducting lessons or conversations in english and/or your native language offering workshops with target group(sometimes will be given to you, sometimes you can choose), presentations about different topics(most likely your native country) working front office and back office library work(supportive administrative work), cooperation with other institutes creating social media content implementing own ideas,
Teamwork/alone	 you will work on some tasks on your own, but you will mostly work with another volunteer
support	 your colleagues and work coordinator may or may not speak good english, so get ready to be part of an intercultural experience! the library system in lodz is based on many small libraries that serve the purpose of social aggregation points as well the volunteers will be spread among 4 libraries over the city

Name	Primary school
Target group	Kids between 6-14 years old
Tasks	-In afternoon there are lessons attended by small groups of kids, in those lessons the volunteer can lead presentations or have workshops (on teacher suggestion/request, or self initiative). -There is a class of "free time" where kids spend time before parents take them home or between lessons, the volunteer can be asked to organize or supervise some of their activities. -The volunteer can be asked to accompany teachers and kids in extracurricular activities (swimming pool, sport tournament, movie, ice skating). -The volunteer can propose extracurricular activities (cooking workshops, to collaborate with volunteers working in libraries)
Teamwork/alone	You will be the only volunteer, but you can organize work with other volunteers, in the school, in the hosting organisations office or in their working places.
Support	Support will be provided by a teacher who acts as a work coordinator and he can arrange work for the volunteer with other teachers as well. Many teachers do not speak english but the volunteer will only be expected to work with the ones which are able to.

Name	Kindergarten
Target group	Children from 3 to 6
Tasks	 Teaching your own language or/and english Making presentation about your culture Playing with kids Going to cultural events with your group (such as to theatre, cinema, performance) Supporting the teacher in their work (helping with crafts, to decorate the classroom, to teach dances and songs to the children) Chance to make your own workshops (cooking, arts and crafts, dance)
Teamwork/alone	 High probability to be the only volunteer with your group of children Collaboration with the teacher Opportunity to work with other volunteers from your kindergarten
support	Support from the teacher, for example they will help you to:

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- you will share life and working experiences with almost 20 people from many european countries
- you will get support from the organization with: a room in a flat shared with other volunteers, food money, pocket money, insurance (health care), public transport tickets, work training
- you will live in the 3rd largest polish city Łódź (central Poland, close to the capital city)
- chance to work in a professional and experienced environment
- we'll give you space and support to put forward your own ideas
- in our city, you will experience financial and decisional independence

WHAT YOU CAN LEARN

- you will improve your intercultural awareness
- you will learn how to interact with diverse groups
- you will improve your english and learn polish
- you will be organizing and holding activities, workshops and presentations for kids, adults and seniors

WHAT YOU CAN DEVELOPE

- CREATIVITY, SELF ESTEEM, EMPATHIC COMMUNICATIONUNDERSTANDING
- PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS, CULTURES, AGESYOUR HOBBIES
- YOU WILL HAVE PLENTY OF FREE TIME TO INVEST IN THEM, AND WE WILL SUPPORT YOU IN THIS
- MAKE POLISH PEOPLE MORE AWARE OF YOUR CULTURE AND LANGUAGE



WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN? COMPLETE A SHORT SURVEY AND YOU WILL RECEIVE AN APPLICATION FORM AND MORE DETAILS ABOUT WORKING WITH US.