

Volunteer work in Buenos Aires, Argentina

CHE BUENOS AIRES & Voluntario Global

- Description of program:

The volunteer program in non-profit organizations aims at international students who want to gain experience as volunteers while they improve their Spanish and learn about a new culture. The programs are assigned on the basis of volunteers' profile, previous experiences, knowledge and personal interests.

The organizations' goal is to carry out projects in various sectors such as *education, health, psychology, community development, communication and culture.*



Volunteers will be able to choose between different working areas: marketing, social communication, Web designing, human resources, administration, projects development, institutional development, translation, language courses and other areas that correspond with volunteers' profile.

- Vaccination required?

No particular vaccination is required to stay in Buenos Aires. In the event of a program led inland, you will be warned if special vaccination is required.

- Other requirements:

We recommend having an international health insurance that covers accidents and diseases.

- Visa requirements:

To enter the country, students only need a tourist visa, which has to be renewed each 3 months. Students' documents must be valid until the end of the program.

- Min. Level of language

It depends on the area of interest. A lower intermediate Spanish level (A2) is required for most of the projects. For beginners with A1 level the projects choice is limited. For health and psychology an advanced level (B1/B2) is required.

- Starting dates (Seasons):

The volunteer work can start at any time of the year depending on projects' availability. Limited options between December and March.

- Minimum Age / Max. Age / Average Age:

The minimum age is 18.

- Duration of language course:

Volunteer programs require at least a four-week Spanish course. This will help to adapt to local Spanish and improve students' knowledge. Depending on the student's Spanish level and availability of projects, the volunteer can be done together with the Spanish course (i.e. Spanish in the morning and volunteer in the afternoon)

- Duration of Volunteer work (max / min):

Volunteer work can last from 2 weeks to 6 months. Some fields require at least 2 months of voluntary work.

- Costs (detailed):

Registration to the program depends on the duration and on the chosen program starting from AR\$ 2000 (aprox. USD 170, June '15) for 2 weeks. The longer you volunteer, the lower is the additional week (2 weeks being the most expensive option referring to the price-duration ratio). Please ask us for prices when you know field you would like to work in, the dates and number of weeks.

The total amount has to be paid on site and directly to the chosen organization.

- What is included in the program?

a) Welcome meeting at Voluntario Global or BA Volunteer, follow up, cultural activities, certificate

- Administrative requirements

a) *Description of Application Process:*

- Receipt of the interested volunteer's data.

- Collection of information and necessary documents (CV, registration form) to assign the students to programs.

- Verification of health insurance if available.

- Virtual interviews per skype before student's arrival (only if necessary).

b) *How long in advance does the application have to be sent?*

Preferably one month in advance for volunteer related activities.



- First day (how to get there, ...)

On the first day of the program, an assigned representative will be liable for the volunteer and will accompany him to the organization. Depending on the location, we will recommend the most adequate means of transportation the student will be able to use during the program.

- Working hours (are the weekends off?)

Different kinds of working hours or shift are available depending on the project, from 1 day/week to six hours/day as well as on weekends. Working hours will be agreed with the volunteer according to his/her availability before starting the project.

- Mentoring during project / Contact Person

Students are monitored and supported during the program from the Voluntario Global or BA Volunteers as well as from CHE Buenos Aires.

- What kind of certificate will be provided by the end of the program

The Spanish institute grants its certificate for the course.

Voluntario Global and BA Volunteers grant a certificate from the organization asserting that the program was properly conducted.

- Volunteer job and working field guaranteed before departure?

Voluntario Global will communicate the assigned project in advance. BA Volunteers will present 2 or 3 options before arrival and confirm the assigned project on the spot after the welcome meeting.

- What if the student does not like the work?

It is possible, if necessary, after checking the student's reasons. In general it is not common since both organizations communicate with the students prior their arrival and proof their areas of interest as well as their prior experience to grant them an appropriate project and environment.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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