



# AmerEx

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# **Volunteer Abroad**

## **Program Overview**

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# What is the Volunteer Abroad Program?



## Volunteer Abroad Program Basics:

The AmerEx Volunteer Abroad program offers anyone the opportunity to experience living in another country while improving their language skills and helping to improve an impoverished community.

With destinations in over 15 countries across the world and flexible start dates, there is sure to be a location and program to meet your individual program desires!

## Why volunteer abroad?

You will gain a greater understanding of another country while experiencing its people and culture firsthand. Volunteering abroad will help you increase your knowledge in development, gain in-country service experience, and make friends from around the world. In addition, the knowledge you gain can help you in your career since the service that you provide overseas will directly translate into experience for a future job search.

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# Living and Learning

## Opportunities in:

- Ghana
- Kenya
- Uganda
- East Asia
- Russia
- Brazil
- Jamaica
- Moldova
- Paraguay
- ...and more!

<b>Sample Program: China</b>	
<b>Program Options</b>	<b>Work in an orphanage, work with disabled children, teach in an elementary school, teach English, and more!</b>
<b>Program Duration</b>	<b>5 – 13 weeks</b>
<b>Locations</b>	<b>Si chuan Province with 5-day orientation in Shanghai</b>
<b>Program Includes:</b>	<b>Chinese cultural introduction and orientation, 5-day orientation with intensive Mandarin lessons, teaching introduction, 24-hour support, accommodation, meals, airport transportation</b>

## Program Basics:

- Live with a local family or in group housing – your choice!
- Meal plans available
- Gain knowledge of the country you visit – learn about the culture, people and language of your country of choice!
- Housing available in Rural, Suburban, and Metropolitan locations
- Contact AmerEx today to customize the trip that fits you best!!



# FAQ's and How to Apply

## What are the qualifications?

You must be over 18 years of age, maintain a strong interest in learning about other cultures and people, and have an open-minded outlook on life!

## When do programs start?

Volunteer opportunities are offered every month of the year. The exact program start date will be determined by the program that you choose.

## What is the application deadline?

There is no set deadline for applying to volunteer abroad. The earlier you send in your application, financial certification and deposits the sooner AmerEx can process your application materials. This will give you more time to receive your welcome package and information about your travel to the country of your choice.

## Will there be activities/excursions in addition to the volunteer work?

Most of the programs offered through the AmerEx Volunteer Abroad program include some cultural immersion activities and/or tourist attraction visit. For those programs that do not include this in the package, you are able to add these on when you customize your program.

## To Apply

**Please contact AmerEx at 703-226-2400 or [info@amerex.org](mailto:info@amerex.org) to request your application and program information materials.**

AmerEx strives to ensure that we match you up with a volunteer opportunity that fits your skills, background, personal interests and goals. Therefore, we aim to speak with each participant traveling on our programs directly to be sure that your expectations are met, as well as those of the community you will travel to.

*Contact your AmerEx Representative today!*