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SOCIAL PROJECTS

I. Centers of Social Rehabilitation (For Adolescents)

Project ABA-SE07

Description:	This is a home for girls between the ages of 12 and 21 years old. There are approximately 20 girls who have lived on the streets or who have strained relationships with their families due to poverty/ abuse. There are two directors, a psychiatrist, two psychologists and a social worker who work with the girls at the project. They visit them weekly but do not live with them. A group of women who are not part of the professional team takes care of the girls. The girls have a normal schedule and all attend school or work. This project is looking for volunteers who have an interest in spending time with the girls, developing friendships/relationships with them, educating them through lessons in English, art, sports, self-esteem development, etc.
Activities:	Volunteers spend time developing positive friendships with the girls mainly by helping them with their English homework but also through organizing creative activities such as cooking or drawing, etc. Volunteers working at this project are highly encouraged to propose activities by themselves and to work independently.
Requirements:	You do not need any previous experience or skills but psychologists or those interested in social work are appreciated. You should be prepared to be exposed to difficult issues such as abuse, poverty and abandonment. You should have a strong character, be able to work independently and take initiative. It is appreciated when volunteers come up with ideas. Male volunteers can work at this project as well.
Minimum:	4 weeks.
Availability:	Open all year. During certain weeks of the year, the girls might be participating in outdoor activities / camps and thus there is less work to do at the project itself. In these situations, volunteers might be placed internally at our volunteer coordination center where you will be assisting in various organizational and promotional activities.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	About 3 days a week, 3 hours per day in the afternoon.
Capacity:	2 volunteers at a time



Project ABA-SE17

Description:	This is a home for boys who are between 10 and 20 years old. In general, they come from the streets or from situations of domestic violence, abuse or poor backgrounds. There are about 25 boys living there at the house. Together with the cohabitants who live with the boys and take care of them, there are 2 psychologists, 2 social workers and a group of volunteers from different organizations working at the institution. Boys go to school in different shifts, and some of them sometimes stay at home or have other activities outside the institution.
Activities:	The activities depend on the personal daily schedule of the boys and their tasks within the house in which you can accompany them. You can play games, go to the park, talk about each other's cultures, and help with workshops, excursions and classes in music, arts and language. It is particularly important to share time with the boys, have fun, and entertain them. Volunteers working at this project are highly encouraged to propose activities by themselves and to work independently. It is also possible to organize a sports event for the boys.
Requirements:	To have the sensibility to work with boys in difficult circumstances. To be able to work independently and be creative with organizing games/activities. A strong character is important and experience is a plus. You should be confident enough to talk in Spanish.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year. During certain weeks of the year, the boys might be participating in outdoor activities / camps and thus there is less/no work to do at the project itself. In these situations, volunteers might be placed internally at our volunteer coordination center where you will be assisting in various organizational and promotional activities.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	4 to 5 days a week and 3/4 hours per day in the afternoon.
Capacity:	4 volunteers at a time.



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II. Community Service

Project ABA-SE06

Description:	This project is located in a nice and safe neighborhood of Buenos Aires. It is a rehabilitation center run by nuns, for mothers and their children who are in difficult situations, such as: abusive relationships, broken homes, being socially vulnerable, and often living on the streets. The centre gives the mothers and children a home and takes care of them for one year. They have the possibility to participate in workshops which will help them to learn how to take care of themselves and their kids. During this year they have to find work and the goal is to teach them how to live independently again and have a stable life with their children.
Activities:	Build a relationship with the mothers, talk to them, listen to them, have fun. Take care of the children at least one day a week. Volunteers will help with organizing and serving the afternoon meal to the mothers. Sometimes you can help with organizing recreational and creative activities for the mothers. Once a week you take care of the children, entertain them and spend time with them.
Requirements:	It helps if volunteers have experience working with women and children. Those with an interest or background in psychology and/or social work would do especially well in this project. Moreover, you are expected to be very open and creative in organizing activities for the mothers and children. Volunteers between 20 and 40 years old are best fitted to work at this project.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	During some months (December/January/February) the mothers and children have a special program at a camp, which means that there is less/no work for volunteers. In these situations, volunteers might be placed internally at our volunteer coordination center where you will be assisting in various organizational and promotional activities.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Monday to Friday, about 2/3 hours a day, mostly in the late afternoon
Capacity:	2 volunteers at a time



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Project ABA-SE12

Description:	This project is very important in Buenos Aires and has grown a lot in the last couple of years. Their work consists of bringing food and supplies to people who suffer from hunger in and around the city. They make sure that donations from people, who want to help, arrive at organizations, feeding centers, old people's homes, schools and day-care centers. The headquarters are located in a large warehouse located about 45 minutes outside the center. Additionally, the project educates others about the problem of malnutrition and hunger.
Activities:	Volunteers mainly spend time in the warehouse, checking the products, organizing, shipping, and packing up food that is sent to over 400 different sites in the city to feed the homeless and those less fortunate. Sometimes, volunteers can help with the delivery of the food as well. For those who are looking to do more administrative work or an internship, there are also opportunities in marketing, web design, IT and translating, and occasionally participating in events.
Requirements:	All types of volunteers are welcome at this project. You should be willing to commute to the headquarters, which is quite far away from the center, and realize that the main part of the work is physical.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	High beginner
Schedule:	Monday to Friday between 9:30 and 16:30 in different shifts and Saturdays from 9:30 to 12:30
Capacity:	There is no maximum amount of volunteers at a time.



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Project ABA-SE13

Description:	<p>This project began in 2001 and works with children who come from poor families or that have lived a life on the streets. The children range in age but most of them are between the ages of 6 and 12 years old.</p> <p>This organization works mainly in three areas: therapeutic assessment to families with problems of violence, sexual abuse, drugs, etc.; artistic and educative workshops, including school support; and finally, eating centers that offer breakfast or lunch for many children every day. Volunteers work only at the center located in La Boca, but they should go twice to the main center that is located just outside Buenos Aires (at the beginning and at the end of the volunteer program).</p>
Activities:	<p>There are different kinds of work, depending on where most help is needed at your time of placement. You can help the children with their homework, but your Spanish level needs to be advanced in order to explain things to them. There are also dance, arts, music, and other workshops depending on the time of year and amount of children, where volunteers can help with the organization and preparation. Some centers also need help during lunch time. It is important to spend time with the children and have a good time with them.</p>
Requirements:	<p>You must be enthusiastic, open, social, excited to come up with creative ideas and willing to take initiative.</p>
Minimum:	<p>4 weeks (Professional internships are also possible at the office located in the province of</p>
Availability:	<p>Open all year.</p>
Spanish:	<p>Intermediate</p>
Schedule:	<p>This varies depending on the time of the year and on the kind of classes and activities that are being offered. On average 2 to 5 times a week, about 3 hours a day.</p>
Capacity:	<p>Depends on amount of children</p>



Project ABA-SE22

Description:	This is a social organization that edits a magazine written by professional journalists and sold on the streets by homeless and unemployed people who gain an income from what they sell. The program promotes the self-management and personal development of people who are in need of opportunities, offering them the chance to generate their own income. Objectives: human rights and community development. At the same time, the project creates a circle of movement between the organization, the vendors and the readers, putting the vendor in the centre of both the social and cultural scene as well as economic participation. A social centre has been created where an integral program of creative workshops is implemented. These include alternative therapies, cultural activities and derivations of existing services which all have the aim of helping the vendors to complete the integration process.
Activities:	Volunteers at this organization work mainly at the bar/restaurant which is the area that provides most contact with the vendors. You will have conversations with the vendors, and might even be able to teach them some English. Depending on your Spanish skills you may assist in the workshops, classes and the daily running of the magazine in whichever area is necessary (social services, art project) or do administrative work. Volunteers will be supervised by a Volunteer Coordinator.
Requirements:	Sensitivity when dealing with people in a vulnerable situation, understanding that the magazine allows them to generate their own income. Appreciation that this is an integral project in which those who benefit most are the vendors. Being able to take initiative in asking what to do and coming up with own ideas. Not having problems with working individually sometimes.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	High beginner - Intermediate
Schedule:	In shifts between 9:30 and 18:00. There are also activities during the weekend.
Capacity:	2 volunteers at a time.



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Project ABA-SE28

Description:	This is an elderly home located in the neighborhood Chacarita. Its objective is to improve the life of old people living in elderly homes or other institutions. Men and women of the Jewish community live in this home; their ages range between approximately 70 and 100 years old. Some of the residents are able to pay for their stay in these houses/institutions, but many of them receive grants or social subsidies. The home employs professionals from all kinds of areas, as well as volunteers in communication, in purchasing and services in the medical area, nursing, nutrition, maintenance, administration, social services, fundraising and special events.
Activities:	The group of professionals forms a team that proposes activities based on medical and therapeutic objectives, as well as creative ideas from residents that have emerged through leisure and learning proposals. Residents have access to a variety of activities organized and led by professionals or volunteers, from Monday through Friday in different time slots. Examples of proposed activities: Occupational Therapy, Textile Workshops, Ceramics, Drawing and Painting, Choir, Computing, Memory Games, <i>Burak</i> , Bingo, Lottery, English, Yiddish, Hebrew, Yoga, Storytelling, Cooking, Songs and music, Piano, Gardening, Jewish History, Rikudim (Israeli Dances).
Requirements:	Volunteers must have a Jewish background. For some specific tasks, previous knowledge/experience is required. For collaboration in recreational activities requirements are enthusiasm and sensibility with elderly people.
Minimum:	4 weeks.
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate.
Schedule:	Mostly from 9:30 – 12:00 and from 17:00 to 19:00 and sometimes during the weekend.
Capacity:	4 volunteers at a time



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Project ABA-SE29

Description:	This Volunteer project is located in the neighborhood San Cristobal in Buenos Aires and it offers a home and recreational aid for children with varied experiences of abuse. The children range from 2 - 18 years old and all of them except for the oldest live in the Home. It is a flexible open space, with bedrooms, kitchen, double garden, library and upstairs office space. Most of the children go to school during the morning, so volunteers mainly work during the afternoon, but help is also needed to take care of and play with the babies.
Activities:	As a foreign volunteer assistant you will help with the daily household tasks, entertain the children in between the classes and/or the pre-school children who are younger. You will organize games, activities and workshops; interact with the children, give them attention and show them love. Sometimes you can practice a certain language with them. Saturday is often an outdoor-activities day and fundraising or integration ideas have been presented by previous volunteers. This kind of initiative is very much appreciated. Also organizing a creative or educational workshop about the importance of hygiene/ sports/ eating fruit and vegetables, etc. would be a great project for volunteers.
Requirements:	Being able to take initiative and come up with your own ideas to entertain the children. It is also important that you are able to work independently without getting commands or specific tasks. Show interest and enthusiasm and understand that children may be shy and need time to get comfortable with a new volunteer.
Minimum:	3 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	High beginner
Schedule:	3 or 4 times a week and 2/3 hours per day
Capacity:	2 or 3



Project ABA-SE30

Description:	This project is a humanitarian organization which aims at fighting poverty and improving the lives of vulnerable people in Argentina. The organization was initially created to provide direct support to underprivileged people affected by the Argentinean crisis who were not being helped by existing relief agencies. Today its mandate and activities have evolved, while its focus on improving the daily lives of the most vulnerable people has been maintained. The projects that are implemented in Argentina range from community centers, kitchens, dwelling homes and day care centers for children to residential and day care centers for elderly people. The projects office is located in the neighborhood Caballito, but the places where they work are spread over the Buenos Aires capital and province. Some of the working areas are: San José, Santa Ana y San Joaquín
Activities:	Volunteers participate and help with the organization in workshops for elderly people (and sometimes children). You will provide companionship and emotional support to elderly by chatting, doing crosswords or puzzles together. You can look at photographs with them and talk about their memories. There is always work to do in the garden or in the beneficiary centers, like cooking or cleaning. There is also the possibility to organize a workshop of your choice, but this is only possible if you have experience with it.
Requirements:	You should be able to communicate with people you don't know and who are from different cultures and backgrounds, be able to empathize, be flexible, and be proactive and punctual in your work. You need to show enthusiasm and take initiative. Moreover, you are expected to be able to adapt to unknown situations. In some occasions you need to be patient with older people.
Minimum:	6 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Basic - Intermediate
Schedule:	To be arranged
Capacity:	4



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Project ABA-SE34

Description:	This organization strives to overcome poverty by working together with local residents and volunteers. Together with a group of volunteers, you will go to developing neighborhoods in Buenos Aires to build emergency homes. Not only will you help to construct, you will also get to know the people who are going to live there. Volunteers sleep at a public school close to the neighborhood. This project is a great choice for those who want to improve their Spanish and practical skills!
Activities:	Before starting with the constructions, it is important that volunteers understand the situation. Therefore, they will meet the families who lived there before and who they are going to build the house for. Volunteers will help to construct the emergency houses. These activities include painting, building, repairing, etc.
Requirements:	There are no specific requirements for volunteers at this project, though those with a passion for building are encouraged to participate.
Minimum:	One weekend
Availability:	Open all year but only during the weekends. It is possible that larger constructions of 10 days will be held in February or July.
Spanish:	Beginner
Schedule:	Constructions only take place in the weekend, approximately once per month. You will leave Friday afternoon and return on Sunday. Contact us for the exact dates and further information.
Capacity:	There is no maximum amount of volunteers at a time.



SOCIAL PROJECTS

III. Family Social Work

Project ABA-SE31

Description:	This project works from Villas in barrio San Blas (a poor neighborhood in Buenos Aires). The project works with pregnant women and mothers with young children who are facing difficulties taking care of themselves and their children. This project provides services in pediatrics, nutrition, stimulation and motivation to learn and behave well, and social assistance. In this program volunteers work in the playroom with little children, with the mothers whom they assist in the workshops, preparing breakfast and materials, and assist the professionals with administrative tasks.
Activities:	You will help take care of children from 0 to 5 years old in a Children Center, give them attention and play with them. Moreover, you can assist in logistical and administrative tasks: sorting donations and coordinating campaigns. Volunteers work together with the Project Coordinator in budgeting or seeking donations. You will provide support to weekly workshops about recycling, cooking, computers etc. Volunteers can also help with developing new workshops and project proposals. Moreover, you will participate in the process of surveying the people in the villa about the situation.
Requirements:	Interest and desire to work with children and mothers. Enthusiastic and motivated to help develop this project.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 to 13:00
Capacity:	Depends on time of year



SOCIAL PROJECTS

IV. Orphanages

Project ABA-SE01

Description:	This is a home for boys who come from domestic violence, abusive or very poor backgrounds. There are about 15 to 20 boys living in this home, between the ages of 7 and 17 years old who also go to school outside. The facilities are in need of modernization and the center is interested in volunteers who are willing to share their culture with the boys through education, culture and arts. Most of them have a mental or physical disorder, which can make it difficult to communicate with them. Because of their illness or experiences, they are sometimes unpredictable and therefore they need help to finish their school, get a job and to be able to take care of themselves. Professional help is very much needed.
Activities:	Helping with homework and teaching them arts and crafts, English and sports. Cultural activities are encouraged and work on the actual center itself (such as repainting the inside or outside of the building) would be a wonderful, creative project to try with the boys. Experienced social workers are very much appreciated to do observations and help improve the quality and structure of the organization. Spend time with the boys, create a relationship and be creative in how you want to spend time with them and entertain them.
Requirements:	Volunteers who are enthusiastic to work with teenagers and to teach a bit about their own culture. Experience working with boys and/or people with mental illnesses is preferred. A strong character is required and especially a social worker or someone with a psychological background could mean a lot to this project.
Minimum:	4 weeks but preferably longer
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate - Advanced
Schedule:	Approximately 3 days a week. The work can take a lot of energy.
Capacity:	2 or 3 volunteers at a time.



SOCIAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-SE03

Description:	This is a home for boys and girls between 0 and 12 years old, whom under the regulation of the General Department of Child Affairs, must be taken care of until their stable place of residence is defined. The children come from poor or unstable families so they live (temporarily) in this house. It has different rooms and a garden where the kids can play. The children go to school every day during the afternoon. They love to receive visitors who play with them and organize fun activities. As there are many kids living in this house, they sometimes do not get enough attention so they love to receive some love from volunteers. This center is part of a bigger organization with two other institutions that each work with teenage boys and girls.
Activities:	Volunteers will be in charge of organizing different kind of activities for the children including: artwork, drama, music, games, etc. They mainly need help taking care of the babies. Most important is to have a good time with the children, but it is also appreciated if volunteers take initiative in organizing an educative or creative workshop or help with redecorating/ organizing the house itself.
Requirements:	Motivation and enthusiasm in working with children, an ability to work independently and to be creative in entertaining the children. Those who are interested in caring for infants are greatly appreciated.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	In July/August and in January/February, a lot of kids participate in camps and thus there is not a lot of work to do at the project.
Spanish:	High beginner
Schedule:	Approximately 3 days a week, in the morning or afternoon, flexible.
Capacity:	There is no maximum amount of volunteers at a time.



SOCIAL PROJECTS

V. Sport Clubs

Project ABA-SE35

Description:	This is a typical social and sports club in the neighborhood Boedo which was founded in 1996. They started with only 15 children but the club has grown in the recent years. They can still use a lot of help. There are several sports activities including football, male basketball, and female handball and football classes for a group of special needs children. There are different age groups but ages start at 5 years old.
Activities:	Helping the children with sports activities. The most important thing is to give the children extra attention, assist with games or you might be in charge of some classes if you have a proper education for this. Volunteers need to show enthusiasm and they must be able to encourage the children to play sports.
Requirements:	Physical education students or athletes.
Minimum:	Preferably 6 months, but 2 or 3 months might also be possible.
Availability:	They prefer to receive volunteers in the beginning of the season (around February)
Spanish:	Intermediate Spanish
Schedule:	From 16.30 till 20.30 but this depends on the group and type of sport
Capacity:	3



EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

I. Educational Organizations

Project ABA-SE08

Description:	This is a project with the objective of promoting education and providing materials and support to children, youth and low-income adults to let them finish school and to achieve their personal projects. The organization helps them to increase their quality of life and their future opportunities by placing teachers and assistants in several schools in the poorer areas (known as villas) in Buenos Aires. They schools are located in Villa 21-24, Villa 31, Barrio Saavedra, Barrio Colegiales and Nuñez. The students come from difficult backgrounds and are between 12 and 18 years old.
Activities:	They need volunteers to assist the children, youth and adults in completing their homework and to help with administrative tasks of the foundation such as correcting and translating documents into English. At the school centers you can help with teaching history, mathematics, English, physics, etc. (basically all subject ranges). They need help with motivating and encouraging the students to achieve their diploma to prepare them for further education.
Requirements:	Volunteers need to be 18 years and older. An advanced level of Spanish is required. Good communication skills, a strong sense of empathy and the ability to deal with different emotional circumstances.
Minimum:	Preferably 3 months (but exceptions are made)
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Advanced
Schedule:	3 times a week, up to 8 hours per day. Schedule to be discussed directly with the project supervisor on arrival.
Capacity:	There is no minimum or maximum amount of volunteers at a time.



EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-SE10

Description:	This project helps children and adolescents who are at risk of dropping out of school. They motivate and assist them in finishing high school, helping prepare them to enter the working world and find a job. The adolescents are between 15 and 20 years old and they go to different schools in San Isidro in the province of Buenos Aires. This project also promotes environmental awareness by informing about recycling possibilities and so on.
Activities:	Volunteers will help with administrative or management tasks in the office (administration, education, job training, environmental awareness, communication). You can sometimes visit the schools where the students get classes and take pictures of them, accompany them and talk with them. You can also help them with school work, answer questions they might have and tell them about your culture. The project may also need help finding projects or organizations for financial support.
Requirements:	There are no specific requirements for volunteers at this project, though those with a passion for education and an enthusiasm to work are encouraged to participate in this project.
Minimum:	3 weeks, but preferably longer. (No more than 3 months.)
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate.
Schedule:	Open from Monday till Friday both in the mornings and in the afternoon, between 9:00 and 17:00. Because the work takes place outside the city, volunteers often work 3 whole days. If you have no problems with travelling every day you are welcome to work more days. You can also work from home or school.
Capacity:	Depends on time of placement. For administrative tasks, no more than 2 volunteers at the same time.



EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-SE11

Description:	This project has already been operating since 1997 and provides books and reading material to schools and institutions around Argentina to help both children and adults to expand their knowledge through imagination, creativity and the wonders and joys of reading. The project is located in Palermo, close to the subway station.
Activities:	Volunteers mostly help out in the office with administrative aspects of the foundation. Volunteers can help with translating documents, communication, management tasks, aspects of PR and building projects for the foundation. The tasks may seem small and not important, but these little tasks are very helpful to the project and really appreciated. Although no volunteers have actually worked at the schools that receive these books, there are opportunities for this to happen in the future, but this also depends on the volunteer's Spanish level and experience.
Requirements:	Those who are passionate about education, literacy and reading. Teachers would be a good match for this project or people who work in education, although anyone is really welcome. A higher Spanish level gives more working possibilities.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	There are schedules both in the mornings and in the afternoons, Monday through Friday.
Capacity:	Depends on the amount of work and time of the year



EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-SE32

Description:	This is an educational program providing school support for children from 6 to 12 years who have problems with learning. The project provides tutorial sessions but also organizes educational and recreational activities. The classes are coordinated by tutors who guide the lessons, and volunteers who participate in assisting the kids with their work. Volunteers help the teachers with the planning and organization of the class and recreational activities. The program is conducted in one of the poorer areas of Buenos Aires where help is needed.
Activities:	<p>Volunteers will participate in the activities that are organized by the project but also help with the organization of the recreational, artistic and sports activities and come up with ideas for new activities.</p> <p>You will help with the tasks of the tutors and program coordinator and assist them during the classes.</p> <p>Volunteers have to help the children from 6 to 12 years with their homework and answer their questions if necessary. Foreign volunteers are encouraged to teach the children something about their own culture as well.</p>
Requirements:	Interest and desire to work with kids. Show enthusiasm, empathy and be able to work with children in a poor environment. Be interested and take initiative!
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate/Advanced
Schedule:	Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 13:00
Capacity:	Depends on time of year



EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

II. Educational Workshops

Project ABA-SE36

Description:	This Argentine NGO is working in Villa 31 de Retiro, a slum in the city centre of Buenos Aires. It's the oldest and biggest slum in Capital Federal. They work in Villa 31 bis, the newest and less developed part of the slum. The group of volunteers always meets at Retiro and will go together by bus to the project. They also travel back together.
Activities:	During the day it is a kindergarten, but in the afternoon it offers various workshops for the children living in the slum. It also works as a 'comedor' so every afternoon the children get a cup of milk and something to eat. Tuesday and Thursday they offer homework assistance, Wednesday arts workshop. Every workshop finishes with a shared 'merienda' which has to be prepared. The project can always use more volunteers to help the children from the slum with their homework; mainly mathematics, language, geography etc. or to help the while painting or drawing etc. at the arts workshop.
Requirements:	Good knowledge of the Spanish language is required, especially for the homework assistance.
Minimum:	There is no minimum
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate / Advanced
Schedule:	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 16:30 till 19:00
Capacity:	2 or 3 volunteers at the time, so it's manageable for the other volunteers to instruct and help them.



MEDICAL PROJECTS

I. Health Care

Project ABA-SE33

Description:	This project is a humanitarian organization which aims to fight poverty and improve the lives of vulnerable people in Argentina. The organization was initially created to provide direct support to underprivileged people affected by the Argentinean crisis who were not helped by existing relief agencies. Today its mandate and activities have evolved, while its focus on improving the daily lives of the most vulnerable people has been maintained. The projects that are implemented in Argentina range from community centers, soup kitchens, dwelling homes and day care centers for children to residential and day care centers for elderly people. You will work in the neighborhood Ciudadela which is a little outside the city of Buenos Aires, but in the Buenos Aires province.
Activities:	<p>The volunteer will perform daily physical revision on the Elderly and report to the doctor if any illness symptoms occur.</p> <p>You will administer medicines according to medical instructions and prescriptions, as well as practice healing procedures and provide emergency medical care in the absence of the doctor.</p> <p>Volunteers will also assist and support the seniors in their daily activities.</p> <p>You will help the patients of the home with their personal hygiene, assist the nurses in bathing them and helping them with eating and getting dressed.</p> <p>Moreover, volunteers will be taking and recording routine vital signs and daily measure the dimensions of the body.</p> <p>Lastly, you will provide support in the seniors' activities program, as well as occupational therapy, rehabilitation and recreational activities.</p>
Requirements:	Firstly, it is important that volunteers have graduated in, or are currently studying nursing. Additionally you are supposed to have knowledge of elderly problems. It is important to have a proactive attitude, be communicative, be easygoing with interpersonal relationships, and show respect to other cultures. It is also important that volunteers are polite and patient with the patients, and work clean and tidy. Lastly, volunteers have to be interested and enthusiastic to help the people in this project.
Minimum:	6 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate - Advanced
Schedule:	To be arranged
Capacity:	8 volunteers at a time



CULTURAL PROJECTS

I. Art & Media

Project ABA-CT01

Description:	This project is a civil association that has been operating since 2003, and is located in the neighborhood of La Boca. This non-profit organization gives homeless people a place to restructure their lives. By offering artistic workshops, classes and meetings in areas such as carpentry, painting, theatre, music, photography and IT, the participants of the program get the chance to create a new and productive lifestyle. Members also participate in regular psychotherapy sessions designed to alleviate any negative implications of living on the streets that may have damaged their state of mind.
Activities:	The organization is looking for enthusiastic and driven volunteers to help out in all the activities that are offered to the members, either artistic or social. Volunteers should be willing to participate in any kind of tasks, such as preparing the materials for the workshops, attending the classes to help the students, proposing new ideas, etc.
Requirements:	The organization is particularly interested in volunteers with an interest and/or background in areas such as physiology, social work or art (painting, photography, sculpture, etc.). Volunteers should be at least 18 years old, have good social skills and be creative, innovative and enthusiastic.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate.
Schedule:	Monday through Friday, preferably in the mornings. Due to the fact that the amount of people participating in their programs varies a lot, the project sometimes does not have enough work to receive volunteers.
Capacity:	3 volunteers at a time.



CULTURAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-CT04

Description:	This project is located in an institution that is responsible for developing digital products and audiovisual media for film, television, publicity/advertising and digital media. The designers, writers and programmers are in charge of the project and all work with the same methodology that has stuck with them for years. It is an organization that deals with the production of ideas and scripts for film, television programs and formats, public advertising, and the development of websites, mobile applications and social networking sites for digital media.
Activities:	Development of audiovisual and digital content for film; television and social networks; project research and writing contents or news. Activities may vary according to the projects and workshops running at the time of volunteer placement.
Requirements:	The tasks will depend on the level of Spanish and the current needs of the institution, but are mainly focused on assisting professionals of each branch within the organization. For this reason experience in film, journalism, advertising and social networks is preferred.
Minimum:	4 weeks.
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Flexible
Capacity:	2 to 3 volunteers at a time



Project ABA-CT08

Description:	This is an independent theatre located in the neighborhood of Palermo that prides itself on expressing independent art. This project is a civil partnership and has existed since 2001. It is a small theatre that has performances of different acts, including plays, live music, movies, stand-up comedy, and other artistic productions towards the end of the week and on the weekend itself. There are also different kinds of creative and theatre classes/workshops given to local children during the afternoons. They are still developing and trying to find new ways to improve their quality.
Activities:	They need help greeting the guests for performances, preparing the theatre (placing chairs, carpets, flowers, candles, etc.) and tidying up the theatre when the show is finished and the guests have left. Help with lighting and sound if you have experience with this. Drawing up programs, and other administrative aspects in preparation for the weekly shows. Furthermore, volunteers could help find new ways for fundraising.
Requirements:	They would like to have volunteers who are interested in arts and theatre or who have a background in theatrical production. If you are experienced in one of the workshops/classes that are being given, there might be a possibility to help with the afternoon classes. You are expected to take initiative and come up with ideas to help the theatre.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Due to performances being towards the end of the week and on the weekends, volunteers will be working from midweek through to the weekend. You will mostly start around 5 PM; the end time depends on what time the show ends. During the show itself there is not always work to do, but it is appreciated if you suggest to help with, for example, administrative tasks.
Capacity:	2 to 3 volunteers at a time



CULTURAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-CT09

Description:	This is a newspaper that was created by a group of neighbors in order to raise awareness for the community of San Telmo, a historical neighborhood close to the center of Buenos Aires. This “barrio” has recently had many changes within the real estate market, integration in the community, political and cultural changes, etc. The paper prides itself on writing on behalf of the community and using it as a forum to unite people as well. There are about 15 people currently working for this small but excellent paper. The topics they write about are only about people, places or events in San Telmo. The organization doesn’t have an office; the staff usually meets up in bars or bookstores in San Telmo and volunteers could work from home or from school.
Activities:	Volunteers could help the writers doing research for the articles, taking photos, making videos, promoting and distributing the newspaper. If the level of Spanish is good enough, they would be able to write articles and do interviews as well. The editor is open to ideas that volunteers/interns may have. The work of volunteers is very independent and except for some guidelines and ideas about the topics of that particular issue, there is not a lot of personal guidance.
Requirements:	Volunteers/interns should have an interest in journalism/photography, with the ability of working independently. Experience in writing/photography or the journalistic field is very much appreciated.
Minimum:	4 weeks (also possible for internship)
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	For general assistance, photography and investigation, Intermediate; for writing, Advanced.
Schedule:	Flexible schedule
Capacity:	There is no minimum amount of volunteers at a time.



II. Marketing & Communication

Project ABA-CT10

Description:	<p>This project operates from Palermo but works in Barracas, a poorer area, known as Villas of Buenos Aires. As the office is located in Palermo, most of the administrative work is done from here. The project tries to improve the living conditions of vulnerable families. There are several programs which encourage them with social and human development based on education, health, work, prevision and housing.</p> <p>The project develops institutional office tasks, such as: communication, marketing and fundraising, logistics, project development and administration of human resources. In this area the volunteer is assisting the institutional coordinator and also the other staff members in specific tasks and projects related to communication and fundraising, or in logistic and administration tasks.</p>
Activities:	<p>The volunteer will help search for funding opportunities and assist in the development and implementation of new fundraising strategies that are made for the Foundation.</p> <p>You will collaborate in tasks of internal and external communication of the project. Volunteers can also help with the development of institutional material and tools, depending on the knowledge and education of the volunteer (for example, a Human Resources student can develop an action plan and HR application.)</p> <p>You may also collaborate in promoting the Volunteer House of the project and implement marketing strategies.</p>
Requirements:	Interest and some knowledge of institutional tasks
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Monday to Thursday, 3 days a week 10.00 – 14.00 or 14.00 – 18.00. 4 hours per day
Capacity:	Depends on time of year



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Project ABA-CT11

<p>Description:</p>	<p>This project is a humanitarian organization which aims at fighting poverty and improving the lives of vulnerable people in Argentina. The organization was initially created to provide direct support to underprivileged people affected by the Argentinean crisis who were not being helped by existing relief agencies. Today its mandate and activities have evolved, while its focus on improving the daily lives of the most vulnerable people has been maintained. The projects that are implemented in Argentina range from community centers, soup kitchens, dwelling homes and day care centers for children to residential and care centers for elderly people. As this project works with different organizations that need help, you will work in various settings. The office is located in Caballito in Buenos Aires city, but some of the projects can also take place outside the city in the province of Buenos Aires, such as San José, Santa Ana y San Joaquín. Sometimes you will also work on the street (in fundraising campaigns.)</p>
<p>Activities:</p>	<p>Volunteers participate in street fundraising campaigns and make cold phone calls to raise funds. You will help to promote the project and improve online fundraising campaigns. Furthermore, volunteers help with partnership development by contacting companies, universities and institutions.</p> <p>Help is needed with building and conducting a testimonial campaign in social networks to develop the international volunteer program, as well as promoting the project on blogs, forums and PR sites.</p> <p>Moreover, there are always general tasks you can help with such as garden maintenance, cooking, cleaning, etc.</p> <p>Lastly, volunteers can sometimes help with and participate in workshops for elderly, providing companionship and emotional support to these seniors by chatting with them, doing crosswords or puzzles together, looking at photographs and reminiscing.</p>
<p>Requirements:</p>	<p>Volunteers should have good communication skills, be proactive, flexible and have the capacity to adapt and improvise. It is also required to be punctual and respectful to other cultures and people from poorer backgrounds. The project wants to work with enthusiastic and self-motivated people. It is useful to have some sales representative skills.</p>
<p>Minimum:</p>	<p>6 weeks</p>
<p>Availability:</p>	<p>Open all year.</p>
<p>Spanish:</p>	<p>Intermediate - Advanced</p>
<p>Schedule:</p>	<p>To be arranged</p>
<p>Capacity:</p>	<p>6</p>



CULTURAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-CT12

Description:	<p>This is a civil, non-profit association that is integrated and run by small and medium manufacturing and service oriented companies, also called PYMES. They are based in the metropolitan area of Buenos Aires.</p> <p>The organization was found in 2005 and its objective is to promote the growth and development of the export products or services of the companies, as well as the overall enhancement of their international competitiveness.</p> <p>As a private, civil association, they can establish partnerships and develop joint projects or conventions between public and private companies all over the world.</p> <p>Moreover, they are trying to improve relationships between companies and foreign markets. The association would love to work together with international volunteers. However, please keep in mind that the workload and responsibility depends on your background and work experience, and that all applications are evaluated by the association before placement can be approved.</p>
Activities:	<p>Interns will help with different tasks, such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upload contacts into the database. - Collaborate in the organization of a seminar each month - Contact trainers, reinforce communication, diffusion, presence at the entrance and reception. - Finding partners: make at least two listings of counterparts, monthly, and investigate requirements of at least one target market by month - Visit at least one partner company - Communication: you should make 2 notes/ratings per week to be published on the website. - Business Agenda: assembling collaborative agendas. - Do research on the bilateral trade between the volunteer's home country and Argentina. - Make a list of counterparts, make phone calls, be in contact with companies - Find financial tools and international cooperation.
Requirements:	<p>University studies, preferably in marketing / communication; good communication skills (both oral and written), good organizational skills.</p>
Minimum:	<p>Preferably 3 months</p>
Availability:	<p>Open all year.</p>
Spanish:	<p>High intermediate to advanced</p>
Schedule:	<p>Average of 48 hours per month</p>
Capacity:	<p>2</p>

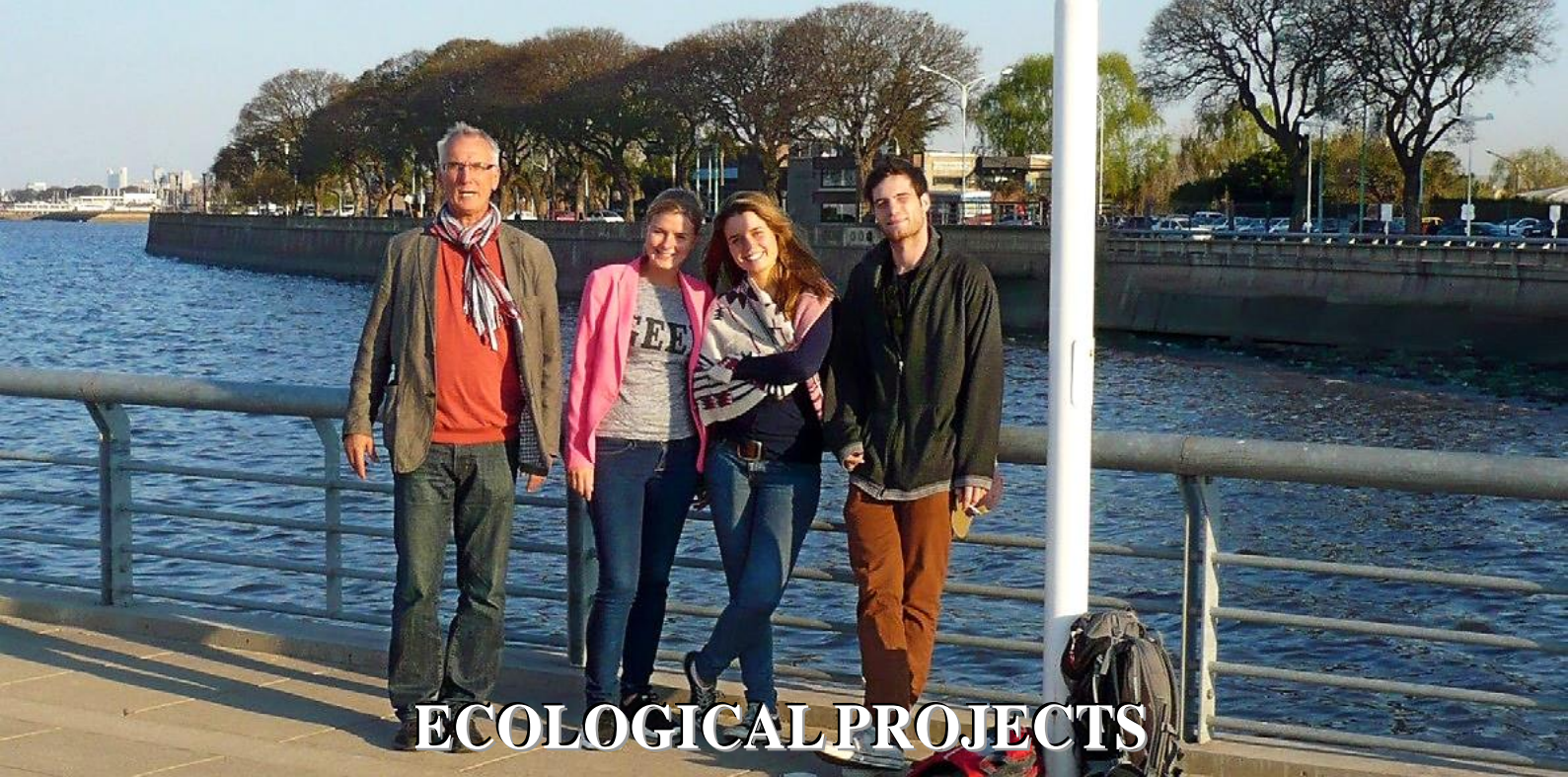


ECOLOGICAL PROJECTS

I. Environmental Organizations

Project ABA-EC10

Description:	This is a nonprofit organization that has been around for more than 20 years. Their mission is to improve and increase social behavior in the environment and to promote awareness and education to the public about sustainable development and the effects of the climate changes. Classes and seminars are given at schools, clinics and other institutions around the city to help raise awareness.
Activities:	Volunteers will be conducting research in reference to the environment, working on presentations for schools, clinics and institutions around the city. They also need volunteers to help with fundraising, collecting data, planning of projects, organizing events and assisting in meetings (if they take place). There is also work in IT (promoting the website and other materials) along with translation. Depending on the time of year, volunteers could help with collecting / planting seeds of trees. Interns can help out in marketing, IT, communication, and research.
Requirements:	It is important that volunteers/interns are dedicated to the cause and are keen to raise awareness about the environmental issues and possibly carry out further research on the subject. There is a need for people who speak English.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	An Intermediate Spanish level would be appreciated.
Schedule:	Flexible; usually volunteers work from Monday to Friday during the afternoon, starting around 14:00 or 15:00.
Capacity:	2 volunteers at a time.



Project ABA-EC12

Description:	This organization's aim is to further develop two communities located 30km outside the center of Buenos Aires. The project focuses on sustainable human development based on organic farming, natural building and fair tourism. It helps out in vulnerable communities outside the city centre of Buenos Aires and promotes sustainable development there. One of the communities is located in Delta del Parana and the other in the south of Buenos Aires province. Both use their own resources to make bricks and teach their community how to construct ecological buildings.
Activities:	Volunteers could help with new agricultural projects, teach English in the communities and organize creative workshops and activities (like painting, drawing, music, theatre) in cultural centers. Besides the physical work, the project also needs help with marketing related tasks and promotion of the project and sustainable development.
Requirements:	Availability to travel by boat (1½ hrs.) and train. It will take the volunteers approximately 2 hours to get to the communities. An interest in sustainable development, local culture and willingness to help these communities is valued, but all motivated volunteers are really appreciated.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Depends on time of the year, but on average 3 times a week from 9 to 1. It is also possible to do an internship at this project.
Capacity:	6 volunteers at the same time



ECOLOGICAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-EC13

Description:	This organization is located in the city centre of Buenos Aires. It promotes the use of vegetable oil as raw material for organic soap. The soap is moisturizing, antiseptic and biodegradable. The project organizes individual and group workshops, arranges teaching methodology for the production of soaps, and the final product will be created. By means of environmental, economic and social planning, the project tries to reduce pollution from domestic sewage. This planning is focused on individuals wanting to implement sustainable practice at home, as well as on companies wanting to integrate sustainability plans in the field of social responsibility.
Activities:	Learning the techniques used to make soap with recycled oil, packing and labeling the soaps and helping with other parts of the production. Preparing the material for the workshops and attending workshops and seminars at fairs and schools. The project would also like volunteers to assist in marketing / communication tasks (social networking sites).
Requirements:	It is not necessary to have a certain background or experience; all volunteers are welcome to work at this project.
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	Open from Monday till Friday from 16:00 to 20:00. If volunteers really want to work more, it may be possible.
Capacity:	1 volunteer at a time



ECOLOGICAL PROJECTS

Project ABA-EC14

Description:	<p>This project is located in Tigre, which is located in the province of Buenos Aires. Its goal is to increase the knowledge about nature and to contribute to creating a society with the ability to consider and question the current (ecological) development. This is done by giving workshops about planning and development of CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) projects, but also giving personal and virtual training to children, young people, professionals and teachers about environmental issues. Campaigns are being organized to raise awareness on these issues.</p> <p>The institution provides consulting services in the area of management, environmental education and interpretation of natural and cultural heritage. This project has extensive work experience in planning, implementation and evaluation of environmental projects.</p>
Activities:	<p>Volunteers will participate in online courses as teaching assistants.</p> <p>Volunteers can work on web page development (textual content, images, design, finding sponsors). Moreover, volunteers can take care of the maintenance of the blog.</p> <p>The project also needs people to write and translate project texts, conduct research on various current environmental issues, design marketing and distribution strategies to other countries; perform market research and contact potential overseas customers.</p>
Requirements:	<p>All types of volunteers are welcome at this project. People with a background / interest in journalism, marketing and ecology will do especially well in this project. Volunteers should be able to work independently and be willing to travel to Tigre (1½ hours from the city centre of Buenos Aires)</p>
Minimum:	4 weeks
Availability:	Open all year.
Spanish:	Intermediate
Schedule:	<p>A weekly personal volunteer meeting between the volunteer and the project; the rest of the work is arranged and done independently, supervised by email and/or Skype. Previous volunteers worked 1 or 2 days at the project itself in Tigre and the other days at our Spanish school or at home. This project is not working from the 1st of January until the 10th of February.</p>
Capacity:	3 volunteers at a time



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