



Trainee for social work at Fearon Community Association February-April 2014 (12 weeks) / Loughborough / United Kingdom

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION

As the main part of the placement the intern will be involved in the daily work done by Fearon Community Association (<http://www.fearonhall.co.uk/>) by working alongside the Centre Manager and other staff, to learn about project management and to build relationships with the community that is served by the Centre.

MAIN OPPORTUNITIES:

- Day to day work with the beneficiaries visiting Fearon Hall
- Integrating with the community to understand their needs through working alongside staff in general activities
- Planning, preparation and delivery of group activities;
- Kitchen assistant for the daily lunch times visits of beneficiaries at the Hall
- Assisting with administrative tasks,
- Intern will be encouraged to choose and work on a personal project according to her own interest; this could be a photography exhibition, community project, cookery competition, drama or performance etc.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS AT THE PLACEMENT

The interns will work 30 hours per week, mainly based at Fearon Hall, Monday to Friday. Some activities may involve flexible evening and weekend working. Time of in lieu will be allowed to ensure that the interns are getting the required respite time of 2 consecutive days per week and 2 days holiday allowance per month.

ACCOMMODATION

All interns will be accommodated locally in a shared student houses. The details of accommodation will be agreed at least 1 month before the placement and will be dependent on availability and needs of the interns.

FOOD MONEY & INTERN ALLOWANCE

Interns will receive the previously agreed amount of money for food and subsistence paid out in GBP. Main meals will be made available Monday to Friday at Fearon Hall and a fixed allowance will be agreed for food for self-catering in the accommodation. Local transport should not be necessary as we plan to accommodate within walking distance. If however, this is not possible, bicycles may be provided or cost of local buses.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The work tasks and schedule are created to meet the following learning objectives related to the social and personal development of the interns. This will increase the learning in all areas of competencies in the Europass accreditation including:

- gaining new knowledge about the UK and the region combined with the deeper insight into the local culture.
- learning to deal with cultural shocks and differences.
- developing team-work skills in intercultural environment.
- improving English language skills





- improving social skills
- improving intercultural communication skills.
- gaining new technical and creative skills.
- learning about youth and intergenerational work and non-governmental sector in UK
- developing self-confidence
- increasing intercultural knowledge that will help to avoid and reduce negative attitudes towards other cultures and cultural misunderstandings.

Attitudes:

- Attitudes toward people with disadvantages in the society
- Attitudes of youngsters towards entrepreneurship initiatives
- Empathy towards disadvantage people in the society
- Positive attitudes towards diversity and respect for human rights
- Entrepreneurial Attitude since they will be currently asked to come up with innovative ideas and devise ways to implement ideas

PROPOSED TIMETABLE

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Morning	Staff meeting planning of Intern's tasks for week	Preparation of afternoon activities	Preparation of afternoon activities	Preparation of afternoon activities	Language course
	Assist with preparation & serving meals	Assist with preparation & serving meals	Assist with preparation & serving meals	Assist with preparation & serving meals	Assist with preparation & serving meals
Lunch	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
Afternoon	Assist with delivery of intergenerational activity	Assist with delivery of dance session for people with disabilities	Assist with delivery of intergenerational activity	Assist with activities to engage with unemployed young people	Language course

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS:

The programme offers: fully covered travel expenses, insurance, free accommodation, food allowance (£100/month), pocket money (£160/month), linguistic and cultural preparation before the placement, ongoing support of MMS project coordinator.

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Please submit your application by **Sunday 8th December 2013.**

