



Cuso International – Volunteer Placements

English Language Teacher

Location: Ethiopia

Partner name: Pawe Health Science College

Length of placement (months): 12

Start date: Jun – Aug 2017 (flexible)

Funding Eligibility requirements: Open to Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents only

Language Requirements: English: Level 4, Writing: Level 4, Speaking: Level 4

The Volunteer's Role

Benishangul-Gumuz (BSG) is one of Ethiopia's emerging regional states with an estimated total population of nearly a million people. The Regional Health Bureau (RHB) is making every effort to provide integrated, effective, and equitable health services through the extensively expanding primary health care program.

Currently, there are 37 Health Centres and 398 Health Posts operating as primary health care units for the general community and few more are under construction. Nonetheless, limitation of skilled health workers, supplies, and management support has impeded the quality of services provided in most of these health facilities.

Pawe College of health science is the only health science college managed by the regional health bureau in addition to the federal university, Assosa University. This college has no Gender Advisor that helps to analyze gaps that hinder the institution to serve the community at scale.

The overall objective of the placement is to support and improve the English proficiency of college instructors, students and other administrative staff through in-service training which helps to improve the quality of education, so that students and instructors can fulfil their potential. Teachers often lack the facility with English to be able to effectively teach their pupils. So this placement will help them to meet the objectives for producing competent health professionals.

As a volunteer, you will:

- Support the development of English language-focused Continuous Professional Development
- Conduct training need assessments and capacity building sessions for teachers, students and administration staff
- Strengthen links with other similar institutions, so that good practice and expertise can be shared
- Conduct monitoring and evaluation, and give feedback regarding progress to the college

Essential Academic Qualifications:

Degree in English Language or related field & a TEFL or TESL teaching qualification

Essential Professional Background:

Minimum of 2 years teaching experience in an active learning environment or volunteering activities

About Our Partner: Pawe Health Science College

Established in 1992, the Pawe Health Science College operates as the only health institution in the region and is aimed at reducing morbidity, mortality and disability in Ethiopia. They also hope to improve the health status of the region by providing a comprehensive package of preventive, promotive,

rehabilitative and basic curative health services via a decentralized and democratized health system in collaboration with all stakeholders.

The college has been under the management of the Benishangul-Gumuz Regional Health Bureau since 1995 and their vision is to ensure a healthy, productive and prosperous regional population.

Terms and Conditions

Cuso International terms and conditions allow you to lead a modest and healthy lifestyle while being effective in your placement. This support package will cover basic living expenses for one volunteer and is not intended to cover home-based expenses (ex. loans, support payments, etc. (ex. imported items and international personal travel)).

Support Package

- Modest living allowance (varies depending country)
- Accommodation while overseas
- Return airfare and visa/permit costs
- Cost of required vaccinations, antimalarial medication and health insurance
- Comprehensive training and support program.
- Travel and accommodation for reintegration debriefing weekend
- Modest support for accompanying partners/dependents going on placement with you for 12+ months
- Access to Employee Assistance Program while overseas and upon return
- Cuso International assessment day (Candidates must cover the first \$200 of the most cost-effective travel expenses and all accommodation costs).
- Travel and accommodation for the five-day pre-departure training course and in-country training orientation

Fundraising

We ask each volunteer, regardless of placement length, to raise \$2,000. All volunteers receive support from Cuso International to help achieve the goal through fundraising. If the volunteer chooses not to fundraise or is unable to achieve the fundraising goal, he/she can make a one-time donation or become a monthly donor to support our work.

E-volunteering

Depending on the nature of the placement volunteers are encouraged to provide e-volunteering support to the local partner or Cuso International before or after the field placement.

Residency and Citizenship

In order to become a volunteer with Cuso International, you must be living in Canada for the time between your application date and the date you go overseas. Short vacations during this time are feasible. We may require your passport and would need to be aware of any travel plans you may have during this time. We must be able to contact you, and you must be able to contact us easily and promptly throughout the process. You will also require unrestricted access to Canada during the pre-departure process for assessment and training.

Leaving your country of residence can have significant effects on your citizenship status in that country. It is your responsibility to research the consequences of traveling to Canada during the pre-departure process and of going overseas for a long-term placement with the immigration authority where you live.

