

Gap Year Volunteer Opportunities

Programs you pay for

- Blue Mountain Project (Improve health, education, and the local economy in the Hagley Gap District of Jamaica) www.bluemountainproject.org **several weeks to a month**
- Volunteer for Peace **2-3 weeks**
- Center for Coordination of Voluntary Works and Research **several months**
- Peacework Development Fund (alleviate poverty and hunger abroad **minimum of 4 weeks**) <http://peacework.org/index.php?pr=involved>
- Projects Abroad (all kinds of projects from education and health to equine care! **2 weeks-3 months**) <http://www.projects-abroad.org/projects/>
- Global Service Corps (community development and service learning programs **2 weeks to a year**) <http://www.globalservicecorps.org/>
- United Planet (teach, empower women, give healthcare **1 week to a year!**) <http://www.unitedplanet.org/>
- Student Partnership Worldwide (youth led development programs **3-9 months**) <http://www.restlessdevelopment.org/international-placements>
- Cross Cultural Solutions (orphanage, school, disabled, nursing home **11-12 weeks**) <http://www.crossculturalsolutions.org/volunteering-abroad/when/gap-year.aspx>
- GAP YEAR <http://www.gapyear.com/volunteering/> (this is seriously the most comprehensive, encouraging, and organized website!)
- I-to-I <http://www.i-to-i.com/> (really good international teachers programs with certification options)

Programs that pay you!

- PeaceCorps
 - 2 year commitment <http://www.peacecorps.gov/>
 - Masters program <http://www.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm?shell=learn.whyvol.eduben.mastersint>
 - Fellows program <http://www.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm?shell=learn.whyvol.eduben.fellows>
- AmeriCorps
 - VISTA (looking to make a long term effect in a community, year long placement, post graduation) http://www.americorps.gov/for_individuals/choose/vista.asp
 - NCCC (looking to travel, variety of opportunities, build trade skills, 10 month commitment) http://www.americorps.gov/for_individuals/choose/nccc.asp
 - State and National (helps pay off student loans, meets community local needs in education, the environment, public health and safety, and disaster preparedness and response) http://www.americorps.gov/for_individuals/choose/state_national.asp

- City Year (serve full-time at one of 20 locations across the United States as tutors and mentors, running after-school programs and leading youth leadership programs) www.cityyear.org
 - Admission Possible (helps students take advantage of education and get admitted into college) www.admissionpossible.org
 - LISC (help transform distressed neighborhoods into healthy and sustainable communities) www.lisc.org
 - New York Americorps (designing a sustainable future for our nation's communities) www.wnyamericorps.org
- Teach for America
 - Teach For America corps members commit to teach for two years in low-income communities, then go on as alumni to lead efforts to change the face of public education
 - <http://www.teachforamerica.org/>
- Musician Corps
 - Trains and places musicians to serve full-time as teachers and mentors in low-performing public schools, youth centers and other high-need community settings
 - <http://www.musicnationalservice.org/musiciancorps>
- Gap Year Paying Job Websites
 - <http://www.gapyearprograms.net/> (really great resource for actual international jobs)
 - <http://www.gapyearjobs.co.uk/> (United Kingdom based!)
 - <http://www.gapyear365.com/> (good search site for Jobs, Volunteering, and Research)

Research based at Lawrence

- Fulbright
- Watson
- Looking for specific research opportunities? Look for government opportunities through a D.C. Gov. department connected to your issue