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# GHANA



## CARE FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Come to Ghana and have fun with the kids! Turn their school holidays into an enjoyable learning experience using games, hobbies and any creative activities. You'll use fun activities to teach them English, games, sports, arts/crafts, drama/music, magic, face-painting...

We set up the Summer Camp to give the kids fun stuff to do during the holidays that doesn't cost them anything. The idea is to keep them entertained and perhaps teach them some skills at the same time.

***Thank you for your interest in volunteering on this Project. Below is a description of what you can do and expect. You can volunteer whether you're taking a gap year, on a career break, retired, or on a holiday with a purpose. No matter what your age or experience, we look forward to welcoming you to the team!***

## WHAT DO YOU GET?

### SELF-DEVELOPMENT:

- New skills, more confidence, a greater understanding of a different culture, invaluable personal and professional development.
- The enormous satisfaction of helping disadvantaged children and knowing that you made a difference to them.
- An entry on your CV or résumé that will put you head and shoulders above most others in the job market.

### SAFETY AND SECURITY

- Your safety is our top priority. We risk-assess all destination countries, projects, accommodation and more to ensure that they are stable and safe.
- We have experienced local staff with 24/7 back-up and support who are there to assist you and look after you, starting with an in-depth induction on your arrival.

### AN ADVENTURE!

- An exciting, never-to-be-forgotten adventure into Africa and the fascination Ghanaian culture, and best of all ... **an unforgettable experience!**

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**Prices:** From £795 excluding flights. See our [Full Price List Online](#)

**Duration:** From 1 week to 6 months, subject to visa requirements

**Start Dates:** This project runs between approximately 1st August until 10th September every year and can be combined with another project before or after this one.

**Requirements:** Minimum age 17. No qualifications necessary but you should be an enthusiastic person who loves children and enjoys fun and games!

**What's Included:**

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| ▶ Arranging your Programme,          | ▶ Full pre-departure support and assistance, |
| ▶ Payment Protection insurance       | ▶ Accommodation and Food                     |
| ▶ 24-hr emergency support.           | ▶ Transfer to your accommodation             |
| ▶ Meeting you at the nearest airport | ▶ Local in-country team support and backup   |
| ▶ Certificate of Completion          | ▶ Free T-shirt                               |
| ▶ Transport to and from your project |  |

**What Not Included:** Flights, Insurance, Cost of Visas, Return transfer to airport.

## SUMMARY

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

### WORK CONTENT

Children in Ghana have school holidays from the beginning of August until the middle of September. Unfortunately, many of the children come from poor families and have little or no resources to entertain themselves during the summer holiday. To help families who struggle to find someone to look after the children, or can't afford anyone to care for their children while they go work, Travellers set up a free Summer Camp for the children. We provide equipment and materials for games, competitions and general fun stuff and we also make sure they get a meal every day.



The children love the Summer Camps - they win prizes! The prize for our volunteers is the big grins across all the kids' faces :-) One of the obvious activities will be sports - as many varied sports as possible - plus various other children's activities, such as:

- Any ball games, like Football, Cricket, Basketball, Rounders or Netball
- Frisbee games
- Dancing - Ghanaians love to dance, so putting together a dance concert or dance competition would be fun
- Drama - Informal Drama productions is another activity that can be initiated - and all kids love play-acting!
- Music - teaching them to sing, to play an instrument and perhaps to put together a concert to be performed at the end of the holidays
- Magic tricks, juggling or circus-type activities
- Simple games like hopscotch, skipping, hula-hoops
- Arts & Crafts - here there are many options.
- Any creative activities, like face painting
- Reading from story books
- Or anything else your imagination can dream up that will amuse the children.

The kids learn to use English at the same time, so they not only have fun, they also benefit from the activity. These activities also benefit the children by improving their team-work skills, social interaction and building their confidence. The Summer Camp takes place in the grounds of one of the local schools in Kwabanya and is for children from all around the area, including other schools in the community. Kwabanya is a small town/suburb about forty minutes' drive outside Accra city centre and a place where many of our teaching volunteers are based.

You may work for only a few hours a day, or you may find that you want to devote more time to the children. The school remains open during the holidays because they are also running extra-curricular academic lessons for the children who need them. However, during the holiday period it is likely the school will have only one member of staff present as the rest of the staff are likely to be away on holiday. For this reason you will have the opportunity to become quite involved in the structure, running and development of the Camp, which will require you to work on your own initiative for a lot of the time. So being creative is a must.

You may work with large or small groups of children, so you need to be diverse and organised, but you are encouraged to utilise any skills or passions you have, whether these are playing sport, music, drama or just games.

Past volunteers made a real difference by introducing a fun and creative way for the children to express themselves and learn about new things. You'll be rewarded by how much fun the children will have!

**So if you haven't got anything planned and you're free for a couple a weeks or longer this summer, why not come to Ghana and have fun with the kids.**

## SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS:

Dates for the 2015 school terms (semesters) are as follows:

- Term 1: 6th January – 9th April
- Term 2: 5th May – 30th July
- Term 3: 2nd September – 11th December

## WHAT IS REQUIRED OF YOU ... AND GHANAIAN TIME!

You don't have to have a great knowledge of the game and the rules, but you must be an enthusiastic person who enjoys playing the game. Self-reliance, independence and initiative are highly appreciated and a sense of humour when the electricity fails, or buses don't turn up, will help you to make the most of this wonderful opportunity!

**Like all our destination countries, the culture in Ghana is different to what you're used to.** For example, the people are exceptionally friendly and helpful, with big smiles and a relaxed attitude. On the other hand, the living standard falls short of UK or Western standards. And **Ghanaian time** is when someone says, "See you at 10.a.m." - what he really means is, "I'll see you sometime tomorrow" ... And then he may not turn up at all.

The pace of life is slower and more relaxed, but you'll quickly get involved in the daily life of the local people and pretty soon you'll feel completely at home - Ghana has that effect on you!

*“The Summer School Camp is going.... so far everything has been great! The kids seem to love it and although it's definitely challenging at times, I'm really enjoying myself too.*

*I can already see that I'm going to find it so hard to say goodbye to the kids after 4 weeks - I'm getting so attached to them and it's only been a few days!!”*

**Jennifer Elliot**

# ACCOMMODATION

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Your accommodation will vary depending on your work location, but will either be in a family run hostel or with a host family. This means that you get to eat, sleep, work, socialise and generally live like a Ghanaian. This enables you to fully experience the local culture from the inside.

Many of our volunteers remain friends with their host families long after they leave Ghana and in some cases they return to the country later especially to visit their family. Sometimes members of their Ghanaian family have even gone to visit them in their home country.

## FOOD

Food is included in this placement and will be local cuisine - again this is to enable you to fully experience living as local Ghanaians do. When we arrange your placement, we will liaise extensively with you regarding both the placement and your accommodation. As always, our Local Manager will look after you well and will always be on hand to help and offer advice.



## WHY TRAVELLERS WORLDWIDE?

- Over 20 years' experience of sending thousands of participants overseas, plus the largest variety of flexible projects that are value for money!
- Accredited projects helps appeal to future employers
- Excellent support!
- Your own dedicated Project Co-ordinator to answer all questions before, during and after your trip of a lifetime!
- Detailed information on your project and country and suggestions, safety guide, tips and checklists, via our EXTRANET, available from anywhere, 24/7.
- 24/7 emergency helpline for you and your family
- Free pick up from the nearest airport.

*“Everything at this end has been brilliant. The organisation has been first class - from the arrangements to meet at the airport through to showing us a large number of sites around the city. We have been extremely well taken care of.”*

**Tim Myles**

## HOW YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

By joining a Travellers Program you enable us to keep donating money to worthwhile projects around the world; from clothing and feeding school children, building playgrounds or funding vital conservation research - your participation makes these donations possible. Donations to **Bridge the Gap Foundation**. This Foundation was set up by us to donate directly to particularly worthwhile and necessary projects for children and animals around the world, and partners with other NGO's to raise match-funding for worthy projects.

The price of this project is a reflection of the following costs:

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| ✓ Accommodation and Food                   | ✓ Marketing (brochures, website design and maintenance, attending careers fairs, advertising, website listings and presentations) |
| ✓ Meeting you at the airport               | ✓ Project Research/Site Inspection  |
| ✓ Transport to and from your project       | ✓ Staff Training/Equipment  |
| ✓ Local in-country team support and backup | ✓ UK administration   |
| ✓ 24hr emergency helpline                  | ✓ Donations to worthwhile project   |
| ✓ Full pre-departure support               |   |
| ✓ Free T-shirt                             |   |

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Got any questions? Please email us: [info@travellersworldwide.com](mailto:info@travellersworldwide.com)

Once you have applied for a placement, we'll contact you and send you our Welcome Pack. You'll also receive Log-on details and password for our Volunteer Extranet where you'll have access to all the documentation and information which we've put together to facilitate preparations for your adventure!

Your Project Co-ordinator for your country will liaise with you throughout the arrangements process, as well as while you're on your placement and on your return home. The documents you'll have access to also include a Country Fact file, Safety Guide and any manuals that may assist you on your particular programme (for example, Teaching Guide, Sports Manuals, Enrichment Suggestions for Animal Care, etc.). We do all we can to make your stay one that you'll never forget. As with all our destinations, the culture and heritage is different to what you're used to ... which, although one of the most exciting aspects of travelling, should be borne in mind. Self-reliance and independence are highly appreciated in all our destinations and will help you to make the most of this wonderful opportunity! This is a truly awesome, elegant and beautiful country.



## THINGS TO DO IN GHANA

### LOCATION, EXPLORING AND SIGHTSEEING:

Ghana is a wonderfully welcoming country and the people are overwhelmingly hospitable and friendly. They love their music, dancing and socialising, and this, together with lots of glorious open African country and sunshine, contribute to making your travel adventure to Ghana very special.

### ABOUT ACCRA:

Accra, on the coast of the Gulf of Guinea, is both big-city hectic and African laid-back. There is something else this African city has that makes up for lack of planning and fancy buildings. It is a wonderful city to experience. It is full of character, has a warm feel, is extremely friendly and feels very safe. It also has some great beaches!

It is a city that is young, wild and full of soul and here you'll sample the true African spirit.

During the day, the streets are full of market stalls and vendors where you can browse and buy mouthwatering foods, colourful **Kente cloth**, beads, or baskets. Don't forget to practice your haggling.

During the night the city comes alive with the traditional Ghanaian 'spot' bars and the sound of live drumming music in the warm night air. Village-specific festivals and events occur throughout the year.



## HOW TO BOOK

### TWO EASY WAYS ...

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**We hope you'll join us!**

**Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.**

**We're happy to help you plan your exciting adventure!**

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