Travellers Worldwide is a leading International Provider of Volunteering Programmes, Work Experience Internships and Cultural Courses Abroad

WHAT DO YOU GET?

# **NEW ZEALAND**



### **NEWSPAPER JOURNALISM INTERNSHIP IN AUCKLAND**

Learn about the real world of Journalism at a fast-paced community newspaper in Auckland. You'll gain lots of valuable experience across a wide spectrum of journalism work, participating in roles such as editing, reporting, production and proof reading.

The newspaper is a free paper and is funded by advertising from companies and individuals. It covers a wide variety of local news in Auckland. You'll be involved in a variety of roles at the newspaper. Depending on your ability as a journalist and a worker you will be assigned various tasks and jobs to undertake.

Thank you for your interest in 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!

### **SELF-DEVELOPMENT:**

- New skills, more confidence, a greater understanding of a different culture, invaluable personal and professional development.
- An in-depth Induction makes you feel local straight away!
- 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 New Zealand and its diverse cultures! And best of all ... an unforgettable experience!

Prices: From £1,395 for 4 weeks, £175 for each additional week, excluding flights.

See our Full Price List Online

Duration: From 4 weeks to 6 months, subject to visa requirements.

Start Dates: Programmes start every Thursday, all year round – you choose your start and finish dates.

**Requirements:** You should either be studying or qualified in Journalism. You should have excellent English and be able to write creatively and well. You'll be asked to submit an article you've written (but not necessarily published).

#### Minimum age 18.

What's Included:

- Arranging your Programme,
- Payment Protection insurance
- Certificate of Completion
- Meeting you at the nearest airport
- >24-hr emergency support.

- ► Full pre-departure support and assistance,
- Accommodation
- ► Transfer to the placement site
- In-country team support and backup

What Not Included: Flights, Insurance, Cost of Visas, Food, Transport to and from your project, Return transfer to airport.

# **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

#### **WORK CONTENT:**

The style of the paper is different from your conventional paper, they don't get lots of quotes from famous people, politicians, etc., they focus on voicing the Auckland people and everyday issues from local government, reform of Neighbourhood Liquor laws and a myriad of other community concerns, from speed humps to street racers, neighbourhood patrols and swimming pools, parks and libraries.

They began publishing in 2003, and their publication day is Thursdays. They also have an online newspaper which is published once a week, in seven editions covering the entire city.



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The newspaper has more than 400,000 readers each week. Its features are, News, City Events, Home Issues, Finances, Sport, Entertainment, Health, And even Food and Wine.

Typically you will be expected to be involved in: planning, preparing, investigating and writing, plus everything you would expect from a journalist. Sometimes our volunteers are expected to come up with their own features and stories, plus the extras you would expect from a medium size newspaper.

You'll usually work in a variety of roles at the newspaper. Depending on your ability as a journalist and a worker, you'll be assigned various tasks and jobs to undertake. Here is a breakdown of the job roles you may be assigned to undertake:

- Editorial,
- Advertising,
- Production,
- Press,
- Photography,
- Proof reading,
- Proof ads

You'll normally work from Monday to Friday, starting at either 08.30 or 9.00, and finishing at 5:00.

**REQUIREMENTS**: You should already be studying Journalism at University, or be a graduate. You will need high levels of initiative, be hard working, have good written and oral skills and be a team player. Also, be adaptable and enthusiastic.

### PLACEMENT AVAILABILITY

New Zealand companies sometimes give preference to local students for internships during the NZ University holiday period. These dates are roughly:

- 1st July 20th July
- 1st October 15th October

If you'd like to do your placement during those dates, please contact us and we will find out whether it is available.

"I am gaining an invaluable work experience in journalism which couldn't have been learned any other way. I already feel a more competent journalist and I am only 3 weeks into the placement." John Thornton

"I would definitely recommend the placement to other budding journalists....The opportunity to have some by-lines published was also very insightful as to the required writing style of a newspaper and the research needed to create a story, while the finished articles are something I can utilize as demonstration of experience for future job interviews of this nature."

**Rhiannon Marley** 

# ACCOMMODATION

### **ACCOMMODATION:**

You'll live in a centrally located hostel that is friendly and relaxing, making it ideal for long-term stays. You will be sharing a room with other volunteers. There is a communal kitchen and storage area for cooking meals and plenty of space to relax.

Entertainment at your accommodation includes cheap internet access, TV and free pool table. You are literally a stroll from the Sky Tower, harbor and waterfront. Accommodation is very central and close to the main train station and shopping district. Buses are also only a few minutes away to take you to parts of Auckland and New Zealand or to the many other 'things to do'!

#### Food:

Food is not provided on this project, but Auckland has

restaurants to suit all tastes - the most popular cuisine is New Zealand lamb which can be ordered at many restaurants around the city and is well worth it. For meals in local restaurants, a trip to Auckland's inner city centre is well worth the effort - it bustles with activity and offers a range of choices of restaurants.



## 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! And 24/7 emergency helpline for you and your family
- 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.
- Free pick up from the nearest airport.

### 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:

- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Full pre-departure support
- ✓ Meeting you at the airport
- ✓ Transport to the placement site
- ✓ Local in-country team support and backup
- ✓ 24hr emergency helpline

- ✓ UK administration
- Marketing (brochures, website design and maintenance, attending careers fairs, advertising, website listings and presentations)
- ✓ Project Research/Site Inspection
- ✓ Staff Training/Equipment
- ✓ Donations to worthwhile project

### "Thanks at the best three months of my life ... The support I received was extremely helpful ... I really would recommend Travellers to anyone. Keep up the good work." Stuart Savidge

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Got any questions? Please email us: 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 Factfile, 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.

#### On Arrival, your Introduction to the Country:

When you arrive you will be welcomed by your Project Supervisor who will take you to your accommodation and introduce you to everyone. During your first few days you'll be given an induction so that you can learn about the country and its culture, as well as useful information, like how to use the transport system, banks, safety issues, tipping, and lots more.

### THINGS TO DO IN NEW ZEALAND

#### LOCATION, EXPLORING AND SIGHTSEEING:

The country can be divided into the North Island, the South Island and Stewart Island, as well as many tiny surrounding islands. The North Island is typically famous for beaches, springs and bush, whilst the South Island boasts mountains, glaciers, alpine forests and farmlands.

#### AUCKLAND

The city centre boasts great shopping, restaurants and pubs or head over to the viaduct for more pubs, nightclubs and multicultural cuisine. You'll get to work via bus, which is close to your accommodation.

Maori settlement in Auckland was at least 800 years ago where by different tribes built their fortifications on the various volcanoes in Auckland. When the British arrived in 1840 they claimed Auckland as



the capital city of New Zealand until Wellington became the capital 25 years later. The city is modern and vibrant - a fun and friendly with beautiful surrounding islands and harbour. Some of its more famous attractions include the sky tower, Rangitoto Island, the harbor, the Hauraki Gulf islands and the many extinct volcanoes that are in Auckland which provide great views of the city ...

Climate: New Zealand has a largely temperate climate. While the far north has a subtropical summer, the inland alpine areas can get as cold as -10°C in winter. Most of the country, however, lies close to the coast, which means mild temperatures, moderate rainfall and abundant sunshine.

# **HOW TO BOOK**

### TWO EASY WAYS ...

Complete a booking form online.

> **Telephone** 01903 502595 (UK) or 1-603-574-4935 (USA)



THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN OUR PROGRAMME! 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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