



Short Descriptions for Fully Online Volunteer Opportunities at Various UNIMINUTO (Colombia) Educational Centers for Development

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1) Volunteer at Educational Center for Development in Buenaventura

The volunteer will work on two main projects: 1) the development of 5 webinars on management system: Occupational health and safety management systems and environmental management systems (06/07/21 to 06/25/21) and 2) Development and delivery of a 2-week lecture for occupational health and safety management undergraduate students (07/05/21 to 07/23/21).

Time commitment: 70- 225 hours.

Requirements:

- Graduate Student- ideally with occupational health background
- Fluency in Spanish.
- Participate in the volunteer training offered by UNIMINUTO

Volunteer Opportunities Available: One

2) Volunteer at Educational Center for Development in Bello

The volunteer will work on four specific projects: 1) Organize and plan 2 webinars and 4 lectures, 2) Develop and deliver 2 webinars about public health and the pandemic and occupational health as a challenge, 3) Lead roundtables focused on English Language and Public Health knowledge exchange, and 4) Assist in research project and contribute to strengthening the research process. Please see additional documents for description of research projects.

Time commitment: 40 to 225 hours between July and August 2021.

Requirements:

- Public Health Graduate Student
- Fluency in Spanish.
- Participate in the volunteer training offered by UNIMINUTO

Volunteer Opportunities Available: One

3) Volunteer at Educational Center for Development in Zipaquirá

The volunteer's work will focus on three main areas: 1) Work closely with professors to research specific topics and prepare content for educational activities. The topics will vary from environmental and agricultural activities to social sciences and public health, 2) Contribute to English language education with content area activities related to public health, 3) Research and develop content for various workshops and webinars related to COVID-19 management, epidemiology and hygienic measurements.

Time commitment: 25 to 225 hours between July and August 2021.

Requirements:

- Public Health Graduate Student
- Fluency in Spanish.
- Participate in the volunteer training offered by UNIMINUTO

Volunteer Opportunities Available: Four

4) Volunteer at Educational Center for Development in Girardot

The volunteer will work with three different department in Girardot on various projects. First, the volunteer will work with the Educational Center for Development to develop two webinars on environmental issues, help develop two social impact in our communities' workshops and contribute to English language education with content area activities related to public health. The volunteer will also work with the internationalization office contributing to English language education and cultural activities. Finally, the volunteer will work with the ASOD and ASST programs to evaluate epidemiology course content and integrate international trends as well as supporting a social development project and participating in a forum on emergency prevention and risk management.

Time commitment: 160 to 225 hours over two months.

Requirements:

- Public Health Graduate Student
- Fluency in Spanish.
- Participate in the volunteer training offered by UNIMINUTO

Volunteer Opportunities Available: One

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CENTROS DE EDUCACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO
INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERING

1. Institutional Presentation:

UNIMINUTO is a non-profit Higher Education Institution, which during more than 28 years offers high quality and relevant higher education with a preferential option for those who have no opportunities to access it, through an innovative, comprehensive and flexible model.

The university system has a main headquarter located in Bogota and regional headquarters located in several departments such as, Cundinamarca, Antioquia, Caldas, Risaralda, Chocó, Atlántico, Magdalena, Bolívar, Norte de Santander, Santander, Tolima, Huila, Caquetá, Putumayo, Meta, Vaupés, Vichada, Casanare, Guainía, Nariño and Valle del Cauca.

UNIMINUTO purpose is to prepare excellent human beings, skilled professionals, ethically oriented and committed to social transformation and sustainable development. As well as, promoting integral development of people, communities and organizations; and contribute through our commitment and testimony, to the construction of a fraternal, fair, reconciled and peaceful society.

The Institution offers several academic programs, which range from technical, technological, graduate, postgraduate, and continuing education that fit with the necessities of the productive sector and the expectative of our students.

UNIMINUTO belongs to Organizacion Minuto de Dios, a social work that, for more than 63 years, has been at the service of society through an integral development approach. Integral development understood as promotion of people, the construction of communities and the transformation of territories. For that reason, the organization has developed actions that contribute to the strengthening of capacities in the communities with some level of affectation.

1.1. Institutional Mission

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2. About the volunteering:

UNIMINUTO promotes volunteering as a way of social responsibility in the students, professors, staff, graduates and people that feel identified with the principles of Minuto de Dios. Its purpose is to participate in the co-construction of solidary citizen actions that contribute to social transformation.

Volunteering has become a higher education strategy, which has allowed to strength the ethical principle of the socially responsible university. In UNIMINUTO, this process has been consolidated as an exercise of University Social Responsibility, in which, people identified with the Minuto de Dios work and students after taking the subject are constantly motivated to continue in several volunteering projects.

Volunteers can donate their time and knowledge in the following modalities; I) Case management, II) Institutional strengthening or support for territorial processes, III) Mentoring for new entrepreneurs, IV) Volunteer to support social innovation leagues; V) Emergent modalities developed by the campuses.

Volunteering is managed by any of the 20 Centros de Educacion Para el Desarrollo of UNIMINUTO.

3. Call for volunteers:

3.1. Volunteer profile:

Mandatory features: It refers to the conditions that must be fully met by all volunteers who wish to participate in this call.

- A) Graduate or postgraduate student of the University of Arizona.
- B) Have internet connection, camera and microphone.
- C) Participate in the volunteering training offered by UNIMINUTO.

Desirable features: To have a basic knowledge of Spanish.

3.2. Scenarios for the development of volunteering.