

Global Volunteers Bonafield Pierce Scholarship Application

Scholarship

Eligible students may be selected for a partial Global Volunteers service program scholarship equal to the lesser amount of either 50% of the standard service program fee or \$1,200. An anticipated 25 to 50 scholarships will be awarded in 2009.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

1. Be a U.S. citizen.
2. Be enrolled in a higher education degree granting program in health care. (Examples: graduate students seeking degrees in medicine, dentistry, social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nutrition, etc., and undergraduate students majoring in nursing, public health, or disciplines that qualify for premed, pre-dental, etc.)
3. Provide the following documentation:
 - a. copy of student ID
 - b. copy of current fee statement
 - c. a letter from a faculty advisor on institutional letterhead stating that the applicant is a health care student as defined above.
4. Identify a specific service program by country and dates.
5. Commit to serve a minimum of two weeks in Ecuador, Peru, India, Tanzania, Ghana, Romania, Cook Islands or Xian-China.
6. Agree to assist with care for youth or the elderly in institutional living facilities, bedside care for hospitalized patients, health education, or support to licensed health care professionals in service delivery. Services may include: maternal or child health; mental health; primary health care; dental care; physical or occupational therapy; nutrition; etc.
7. Pledge to pay the balance of the service program fee prior to 75 days before the program arrival date or set up a Global Volunteers' fundraising page within five working days of submitting their scholarship application.
8. Submit their Service Program Agreement; including \$350 deposit, within five working days of their being notified that they otherwise qualify for the scholarship.
9. Agree to keep an active blog about their experience on their service program and if possible to join the Global Volunteers group on Facebook where he/she will provide a link to that blog for everyone to access. If this is not an option, the applicant must agree to do a presentation about their trip in their community, or arrange for an article to be published in their school or local newspaper

Scholarship Deadlines

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis but must be submitted by the following dates:

- June 15th (for late summer and fall programs)
- October 15th (for late fall, winter and J-term programs)

Preferences

All health care students are encouraged to apply; however, preference will be given to the following students

1. Those from and/or attending school in Minnesota.

2. Full-time students, although part-time will be considered

The Fine Print – please read carefully

1. No money will be given to any student or academic institution. The aim of these scholarships is to encourage eligible students to volunteer by offsetting part of the student's Global Volunteers' service program fee. If a student does not use the scholarship money for, or participate in, the originally intended service program, the scholarship award and its benefits are lost.
2. All Global Volunteers fundraising policies apply to those students who set up a Global Volunteers' fundraising page. Please see:
<http://donations.globalvolunteers.org/gvs/register/terms.html>
3. Selected students have no vested interest in the scholarship after it has been granted.
4. Global Volunteers reserves the right to withdraw a scholarship from any student or offer a scholarship for a service program to a country and/or dates other than the one identified by the student in the event of any of the following:
 - The student's preferred service program is canceled for any reason;
 - The team is full at the time the student submits their final payment;
 - All health care volunteer slots on the team are filled at the time the student submits their final payment; or
 - Any other reason Global Volunteers, in its sole discretion, determines necessary.
5. Our general policy regarding health care volunteers applies. "Volunteers who perform invasive procedures must provide documents demonstrating that they are currently licensed and have malpractice insurance. Health care professionals who are not currently licensed may assist with such tasks as public health education, blood pressure checks, and noninvasive diagnostics. Health care students may assist local and volunteer professionals."
6. Global Volunteers' standard \$200 student discount is applicable for 2009 programs in addition to any scholarship granted. Global Volunteers reserves the right to amend this discount for 2010 programs.

Section 1: Student Information

Please enter the correct information in all fields of the application. It is your responsibility to ensure that your application is complete and meets the deadlines set forth by Global Volunteers.

Permanent Address:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Ethnicity (optional): _____

How did you hear about Global Volunteers? _____

Current Address:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

University Information:

Name of University: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Major and Minor or Graduate Program:

Major: _____

Minor: _____

Graduate/professional Program: _____

Classification:

Current Class Year: _____ Projected Graduation Date: _____ Full/Part Time
Circle

GPA: Overall: 0.00/4.00 _____ In Major: 0.00/4.00 _____

Service Program information:

Service Program Country _____

Start Date _____ End Date _____

Applicant Profile:

Professional/Academic Achievements _____

Volunteer Experience _____

Work Experience _____

You may include a résumé to highlight your academic, work and/or volunteer experiences.

Section 2: Personal Statement

On one page please respond to the following questions: (Use Microsoft Word if possible.)

- What motivates you to want to volunteer abroad?
- What factors led you to select this program and length of service?
- How do you think this service program will impact your academic career and future professional goals?
- What experience and outcomes would constitute a successful international volunteer experience for you personally?

Section 3: Letter of Recommendation (only one is required)

Please submit at least one letter of recommendation from someone other than a friend or family member, e.g., professor, mentor, religious or spiritual counselor, coach or current or former employer. The recommendation should address your character, passion, integrity, and sense of caring and speak to how you might handle unexpected and/or challenging circumstances in a foreign country and culture. Letters must include student’s name, writer’s relationship to student, and length of relationship. Maximum length: one page

Recommendations should be mailed to:

Global Volunteers
Attn: Karisa Grosser
375 E Little Canada Road
St Paul, MN 55117

Or e-mailed to kgrosser@globalvolunteers.org - Subject: Health Student Recommendation

Section 4: Certification

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of the information I have provided on this form. Falsification of any information will result in termination and/or reimbursement of any scholarship funds granted by Global Volunteer. Upon submission, this application becomes the property of Global Volunteers. Furthermore, I pledge to (a) set up a fundraising page within five working days of submitting this scholarship application or (b) if selected commit to pay the balance of the service program fee from my own funds if selected.

If I am selected as a Global Volunteers Bonafield Pierce Health Scholar, I agree to:

1. Submit a Global Volunteers Service Program Agreement, including \$350 deposit, within five working days of being notified I have been selected.
2. Pay the balance of the service program fee no later than 75 days prior to the program arrival date. (If I cannot pay the balance when due, I acknowledge that I may lose my spot on the service program and thus may incur expenses, e.g., airfare, visa, etc., for which I understand I will not be reimbursed.)
3. Purchase airfare to the designated international airport.
4. Permit photos, video and audio to be taken of me and my service program experience for media and other promotional uses and release and hold harmless Global Volunteers for any consequences or liability incurred as a result of the above.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Application Checklist

This application for a Global Volunteers service program scholarship becomes complete and valid only when you have returned all of the following materials:

1. Copy of student ID
2. Copy of current student fee statement
3. Letter from a faculty advisor on institutional letterhead stating you are a health care student
4. Completed Student Information
5. Personal Statement
6. Letter of Recommendation (only one is required)
7. Signed Certification

When you complete the application, please email Sections 1, 2 & 4 to Karisa Grosser at kgrosser@globalvolunteers.org and mail a hard copy to:

Global Volunteers
Attn: Karisa Grosser
375 E Little Canada Road
St Paul, MN 55117