



JESUIT VOLUNTEER CORPS

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How Can I Serve Internationally?

The international program of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps is a challenging program that requires commitment, maturity, openness, and selflessness. Share your gifts with the world while living with others in community and immersing yourself in a new culture.

Can I choose where I'd like to serve and what work I will do?

To apply to serve with the international program is to apply to serve the world! Although you may have been inspired by a visit to a certain place, or feel called to serve in one particular country, we ask that Jesuit Volunteers be open to **going where the need is greatest**.

JVC staff members offer positions and country assignments based on skills, talents, and position availability. International JVs work in education, social services, and pastoral ministry. It is so important to have an open heart and mind—let the Spirit guide the process and go where you are called.



Belize
Nicaragua
Peru
Chile

Tanzania

Micronesia



JVs Work in...

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| Belize | Nicaragua |
| Chile | Peru |
| Micronesia | Tanzania |

Facts for International Service

- 2-year commitment required
- Full immersion expected
- Health insurance provided
- New JVs depart between August and December

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How will I be supported?

To be a Jesuit Volunteer internationally can be challenging. Of course, you are far from home and far from many of the comforts you once knew, but to live in community is to share that challenge and have others to lean on.

In-country coordinators work directly with international communities, as well as Jesuit liaisons who can offer spiritual and personal support. The international staff, located in Washington, D.C., supports JVs through email and phone communication, annual visits to communities, and in-country retreats. It is important to the JVC staff that JVs have the resources they need to feel supported and encouraged to do the work they set out to do.

Do I need to know the language?

Some Spanish-speaking placements require a strong background and knowledge of the language, while others require the openness to learn it. In Tanzania, Micronesia, and Belize, Jesuit Volunteers learn the local languages and dialects during their two-year commitments as they immerse themselves in those cultures.