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ProjectsAbroad

**Veterinary Medicine
& Animal Care**

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Why choose Projects Abroad?

SAFETY & SECURITY:

We take your security abroad very seriously. Before we send volunteers anywhere, the countries must be politically stable and safe. We are in contact with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office regarding safety and stability and, of course, we have the added security of our own overseas staff who know the local area in detail.

STRUCTURE:

Our Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care projects are structured so that you get the most out of your time overseas. Each placement will have a project supervisor there to provide assistance and guidance throughout the trip.

VARIETY:

We want to match your skills and enthusiasm to the right project. There are 10 destinations to choose from, allowing volunteers with all interests to find a placement that is just right for them.

FLEXIBILITY:

Our projects have no set start dates meaning you can choose when your placement begins.

CV AND SELF DEVELOPMENT:

Voluntary work with Projects Abroad is excellent for your CV and university applications. It gives you greater life experience, develops personal skills and shows your initiative to try something new – traits which appeal to employers and universities.

PRICES:

Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care placements start from £1,045.

COUNTRY	VETERINARY MEDICINE	ANIMAL CARE	COMBINED VETERINARY MEDICINE & ANIMAL CARE	EQUINE THERAPY	CANINE THERAPY	WILDLIFE REHABILITATION
Argentina						
Bolivia						
China						
Ghana						
India						
Jamaica						
Mexico						
Romania						
Samoa						
South Africa						

Key: Africa Asia Eastern Europe Latin America and the Caribbean South Pacific

Our Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care Projects



Veterinary Medicine

Our Veterinary Medicine placements are ideal for those considering a career as a vet and looking to gain work experience. Shadowing local vets, you'll learn how to handle different animals and will see examples of diseases and conditions that have almost been eradicated in developed countries.

Volunteers in Ghana will spend each morning working in a veterinary clinic in Kumasi. In the afternoon there are sometimes opportunities to go out into the field to visit farms. You will be involved in administering vaccinations, and observing and assisting in surgery, laboratory work, post mortems and routine treatments.

Volunteers in India will work primarily in veterinary clinics but will also have the opportunity to

accompany vets on outreach programmes and farm visits. Your role as a volunteer will involve observing and assisting with tasks such as inoculations, artificial insemination and birthing problems.

Our Veterinary project in Mexico is based in Guadalajara where volunteers work in a large clinic in the centre of the city. Volunteers can observe surgeries, assist with x-rays and help with animal physiotherapy treatments.

In Romania volunteers work in either a veterinary clinic or dog shelter in Brasov. Working alongside a local vet, you will assist with tasks such as inoculations, operations, inspections, laboratory work and post mortems.



Animal Care

These projects are perfect for those with a passion for working with animals.

In South Africa you can choose between working at a domestic animal centre or a seabird rehabilitation centre. Those choosing to work with domestic animals will work mainly with cats and dogs. You will help with activities such as feeding the animals, washing them and taking them for walks. Volunteers working at the seabird rehabilitation centre are expected to get involved in the general day-to-day running of the centre such as; cleaning, maintenance work, feeding the birds, and rehabilitating injured birds.

Another option is to work with the Animal Rescue Organisation (ARO). As a volunteer working here, you will help with providing veterinary care for animals that belong to underprivileged families. You will be joining mobile clinics and you will travel daily with the local staff to informal settlements.



Volunteers in China will work at the Bifengxia Panda Base. Low birth rates and loss of habitat have contributed greatly to the vast reduction in the giant panda population. Volunteer assistance is needed to help with the general care of the pandas, including preparing food, cleaning out enclosures and observing their behaviour.

Volunteers in Romania work at a dog rescue centre on the outskirts of Brasov. The dogs that end up at the shelter are stray dogs from the street. They are brought to the shelter where they are given a full medical check-up and are treated for parasites and any other problems.

Volunteers can get involved in all aspects of running the shelter, from feeding and exercising the dogs to assisting with surgical procedures in the small on-site veterinary clinic.

In Mexico, volunteers work in an animal rehabilitation and release centre in Guadalajara. The centre works to treat and free captured or injured wild animals. These include birds of prey, such as buzzards and hawks, parrots and also mammals such as raccoons. Volunteers may also have the chance to work with reptiles such as crocodiles and turtles.

Combined Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care projects

Whether you are a pre-university student considering a career in veterinary medicine, an undergraduate, graduate, or simply a passionate animal lover, you can get involved in our combined Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care projects.

Volunteers in Argentina work alongside a qualified vet in a clinic for two days a week, observing the treatment of the animals and assisting the vet during an operation or when checking an animal. Three days a week will be spent working at a dogs' shelter where you will help by feeding the dogs, washing them and walking them, so they are not left all day in their cages. You will be able to put the knowledge you have gained by working at the veterinary clinic to use by helping to vaccinate and delouse the dogs.

In Jamaica volunteers work at an animal rescue shelter in Montego Bay, home to dogs, cats and birds. You will help with feeding, cleaning, administering treatment, as well as rescuing strays. In addition, you will also be expected to take part in community outreach work, raising awareness of the importance of caring properly for animals.

Volunteers in Samoa work with the Animal Protection Society (APS) to humanely control the vast numbers of domestic animals living in Samoa, through educating local residents, and directly participating in de-sexing programmes. You can also help with administering vaccinations and assisting with inspections.





Equine Therapy

Our Equine Therapy projects in Argentina and Bolivia allow you to work with children, adults and horses. Volunteers on these projects help both adults and children rehabilitate from emotional and physical problems through a therapy programme that involves working with horses.

Your role will vary each day, offering a diverse range of experiences and work to get involved in. The effect of the therapy varies with each child. By displaying enthusiasm and a passion for horses, you can help to create a positive experience for everyone involved.



Canine Therapy

Our Canine Therapy project in Bolivia aims to help children with various disabilities through a unique therapy programme that involves working with trained dogs. This project is perfect for those with experience working with dogs and an enthusiasm to work with children.

As a volunteer you can get involved in everything from feeding and caring for the dogs to cleaning their enclosures and obedience training. You can also take part in the therapy sessions, visiting different centres and care homes for children with disabilities.

Wildlife Rehabilitation

This project is based at a rehabilitation centre 2 hours from Cordoba. It is home to pumas, llamas, guanacos, owls, peccaries and even a boa constrictor.

Many of the animals have severe injuries and are therefore unable to return to the wild. The centre helps to treat these animals and provide them with an environment as close to their natural habitat as possible.

As a volunteer you will help with everything from feeding and caring for the animals to maintaining trails and building enclosures.

What is Included?

YOUR PLACEMENT: Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care projects are available in 10 destinations. You will be given a supervisor at your place of work. Your supervisor and the local Projects Abroad staff will meet with you regularly to discuss how your placement is going and assist with any issues that may arise.

YOUR ACCOMMODATION: In most destinations you will live with a local host family who has been carefully selected because they are friendly, welcoming and can provide you with safe and secure accommodation for the duration of your stay. Volunteers in China will stay in a simple hotel. Volunteers on the Primate Rehabilitation project in Argentina will stay in a rustic bungalow on site.

ALL YOUR MEALS: We will ensure that you are provided with three meals a day, including either a packed lunch or lunch provided where you are working.

COMPREHENSIVE LOCAL SUPPORT: We directly employ sizeable staff teams in all of our destinations and they are responsible for ensuring that all aspects of your project run as smoothly as possible. From the moment they meet you at the airport they will be available to show you around the local area, introduce you to your host family and placement supervisor, and be on-call 24/7 if you have any problems.

YOUR OWN START DATE AND PROJECT LENGTH: You choose when and where you want to go and how many weeks you wish to work. Projects run from 2 weeks upwards.

INSURANCE: Our package includes comprehensive travel and medical insurance for the duration of your time away with us.

2 easy ways to apply



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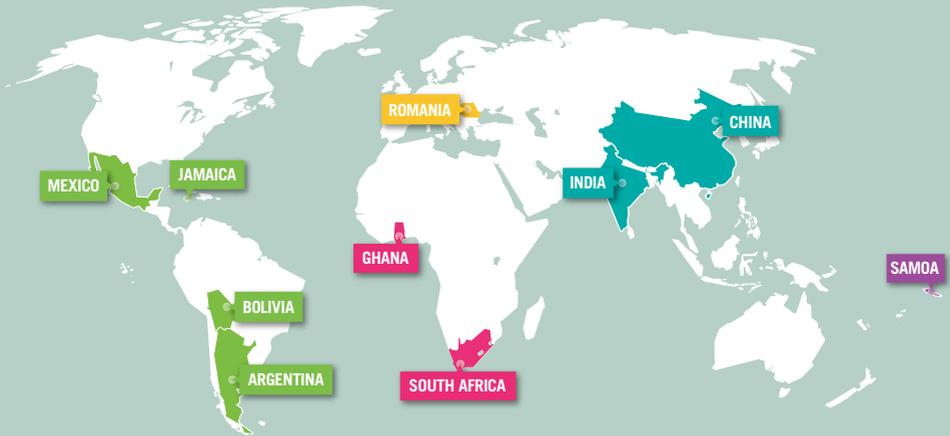
“One of the highlights of my project was ‘Vet Camp’, a government funded ‘camp’ which offered free veterinary services to the local farmers. We were able to take a very hands-on role. The main services were de-worming, vaccinations and artificial insemination – and I got to carry out all three! It was an amazing experience and certainly one I would not have had if I hadn’t found Projects Abroad.”



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Jasmine Lightfoot / Veterinary Medicine in India

Veterinary Medicine & Animal Care projects are available in the following destinations:



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