

Summer Trip Leaders in RWANDA needed for Putney Student Travel programs!

Putney Student Travel seeks qualified college graduates to co-lead a group of 16 high school students from the U.S. on high-quality, non-touristy Global Awareness in Action and Community Service programs in Rwanda.

We seek a female co-leader for the Global Action program, which focuses on health care delivery in Rwanda (<http://goputney.com/programs/rwanda/>). Students will meet with policy makers and NGOs, and will contribute some of their time in Rwanda to participating in a variety of local groups' efforts. They will split into smaller groups to help in homes for the handicapped, shadow health professionals in clinical and community settings, help with HIV/AIDS prevention efforts, and carry out the physical rehabilitation of a remote clinic. Leaders will facilitate learning about health care and the AIDS crisis through local grassroots projects and talks with local experts. Experience with the specific topic, abroad experience in Rwanda, and spoken ability in French and/or Kinyarwanda are necessary. The focus of this program is to create a substantive and engaging presentation, and present it to other Global Action groups at a concluding forum at Yale University.

We seek a male co-leader for the Community Service program (<http://goputney.com/programs/rwanda-2/>), which shares a focus on health care and understanding the impacts of the Rwandan genocide, and participates in a number of education, environmental, and light construction projects, side by side with host community members.

Candidates need to have travel experience in Central/East Africa (preferably Rwanda itself). For the Global Action program, proficiency in French and/or Kinyarwanda is preferred.

You must be able to motivate and energize students in a wide range of situations and settings. Due to the high degree of independence and responsibility granted to leaders, successful candidates must have a substantial capacity to organize, lead, and work well with others.

Leaders will receive a stipend in addition to having all expenses paid during travel. They are responsible for their own health insurance, and should be certified in Basic First Aid. Leaders must be present at an Orientation in Putney, Vermont June 7-10, 2012, and must be a US national or possess a valid green card.

If you are excited about the prospect of helping students learn about a different culture this summer, email a resume and cover letter outlining your experiences in language, travel, community service, working with young people, and leadership as soon as possible.

Submit resume and cover letter to Patrick Noyes, jobs@goputney.com