

Student Opportunity: Faculty of Education Students

Faculty of Education, York University

OPPORTUNITY: LANGUAGE PARTNER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Position with: Faculty of Education

Dates: February 2 to March 7, 2020

Are you an outgoing graduate student in Education who enjoys meeting people from other countries? Do you enjoy providing information about our city and the local cultural context and education system?

The Faculty of Education at York University requires three (3) Education students to participate in a series of fun **field trips** and to act as Language Partners (mentors) with student teachers who are joining us from Norway for five weeks. These students are studying to be teachers in a Bachelor of Education (BEd) program, and they will be completing a short program with us at York University.

Application deadline: Monday, January 20, 2020 by 4:0 pm.

Interviews for these positions will be held on the afternoon of Tuesday, January 21, 2020 (in person or by Zoom)

Rationale for the Volunteer Position:

It is always challenging when staying in a new culture that not only has different surroundings, but also a different language, weather, education system, and other factors. By getting to know you through informal social-cultural activities in the Toronto area, visiting international students from Norway are able to access the expertise of a peer who has knowledge about the university, local schools and about studying and living in Toronto, Canada. They are also able to practice their use of English in regular conversation during field trips and in their learning.

Working as a language partner allows York University's Education students to make meaningful international connections, and also helps them to develop their leadership and mentorship skills while also providing a fun opportunity to meet people.

Volunteer Job Responsibilities:

1. Attend and pro-actively participate with the students in all pre-scheduled social-cultural activities. All admission fees and transportation will be covered.
 - a) **Orientation and meet the students:** Sunday, February 2 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
 - b) **Marlies hockey game:** Saturday, February 8 from 4:00 pm onwards (until the game ends) One of the Language Partners will be the lead for this social-cultural activity.
 - c) **Bus trip to Niagara Falls, Niagara wine tasting and Niagara-on-the-Lake:** Saturday, February 22 – 8:30am – approximately 7:00pm
 - d) **Trip to CN Tower and Ripley's Aquarium:** Saturday, February 29 from 11:30 am to 3 pm.
 - e) **Walking tour of Kensington Market, Chinatown and Queen St. W. Graffiti:** Sunday, March 1 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

- f) **Lunch at the Underground Restaurant:** Friday, March 6 – meet students in class at 12:15pm.
- 2. Liaise with the Course Director around program expectations.
- 3. Report any concerns to the Course Director that the visiting students may have passed along to you (e.g., unhappiness in teaching practicum) so that these can be addressed.

Language Partners will have the cost of all activities covered.

If you are interested, please submit a resume and the application below to the attention of Laura Crane by email at lcrane@edu.yorku.ca.

Application can be found on the following page.



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LANGUAGE PARTNER FOR INTERNATIONAL TEACHER CANDIDATES
Faculty of Education

Last Name:	First Name:
Education Program:	Phone number:
Student #	Email address:

Please confirm that you are available on all of the following dates:

Event, Date and Time	Confirm availability and ability to commit to attending:	
Short interview (in person or zoom) – afternoon of January 21, 2020	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Orientation and meet the students: Sunday, February 2 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Short conference call with the Course Director to discuss details of the social-cultural events. Date and time to be determined		
Marlies hockey game: Saturday, February 8 from 4:00 pm onwards (until the game ends)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Bus trip to Niagara Falls, Niagara wine tasting and Niagara-on-the-Lake: Saturday, February 22 – 8:30am – approx. 7:00pm	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Trip to CN Tower and Ripley's Aquarium: Saturday, February 29 from 11:30 am to 3 pm.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Walking tour of Kensington Market and Chinatown: Sunday, March 1 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Wrap Up and Farewell Lunch at the Underground Restaurant: Friday, March 6th from 12:15pm to approximately 2:30 pm	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

I confirm that the information listed above is true.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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