

FELM VOLUNTEER POSITION

Title / Duration / Visa

IELB Felm Volunteer 2020

Support person for Centro Galilea of IELB

2 x 3 months (2 volunteers)

FELM tutor: Arja Koskinen

Partner tutor: pastor Luis Blanco, IELB

Partner / Location

Iglesia Evangélica Luterana Boliviana (IELB)

The Bolivian Evangelical Lutheran Church (Iglesia Evangélica Luterana Boliviana, IELB) is the second largest Lutheran church in Latin America. It is a church of indigenous peoples, mostly Aymaras and Quechuas, and has approximately 17.000 members.

Felm has been working with IELB since about 20 years, implementing both church and development projects. One of the church projects, *La Lumbrera*, has the objective to promote the rights of children and youth to primary, secondary and inclusive education. The volunteer work is located in Cobija (the Brazilian border) where the church runs a center, *Centro Galilea*, with special focus on inclusive education.

Objective and duties of Felm Volunteer

The FELM Volunteers will support Centro Galilea's children and youth ministry in social and pedagogical activities.

Short description of the tasks

- teaching life skills and facilitating after-school activities to children and young people, including children with learning difficulties.
- accompanying and supporting the leader of the Centro Galilea in pedagogical development, planning and monitoring of the activities of the center.



Competence / Qualifications / Language requirements:

- meet the requirements of the Felm Volunteer program
- experience in children and youth work
- preferably studies in pedagogy or social work
- minimum language requirement: good knowledge of Spanish

Benefits and commitments:

Felm and IELB

- providing the tasks, materials and instructions for the Felm Volunteer
- advising the applicant with visa-procedures and providing Felm Volunteer visa-invitation letter
- providing a personal tutor and a draft program for the Felm Volunteer period (incl. tutor discussions: starters session, mid-term discussion and evaluation session)
- transportation: from and to El Alto International Airport and Cobija airport + transportation related to Felm Volunteer tasks
- accommodation: a modest rented apartment with basic equipment
- introducing the Felm Volunteer to Felm's / partners other work at the area

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- -partner and objective based needs assessment in recruiting a suitable Felm Volunteer
- -daily food allowance
- -orientation session and feedback session

FELM Volunteer

- -following the Felm Volunteer agreement and its guidelines
- -following the tutors instructions
- -taking care of all personal expenses and arrangements other than mentioned above (Volunteers are responsible for their own international airfare, visa, travel insurance, local travel not related to Felm Volunteer tasks)
- -commitment to provide feedback



-commitment to take part in 2-3 parish visits after returning to Finland

Lähde liikkeelle or Lähetyksen esikoulutus –course is a prerequisite for applying to Felm Volunteer tasks.

Full-time students attending the Felm Volunteer program are eligible for trainee status.