

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY
Nutritionist

INTERCULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM SUI SUI
IQUITOS - PERU



SUI SUI PROGRAM - "WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS INTERCULTURALITY"

The **Sui Sui Program**, “**Working together towards interculturality**”, is an ongoing program working with indigenous youth who have moved to Iquitos in order to pursue higher education. The program started in 2011 and is currently scheduled to run until 2018. It began through an agreement between the Belgian Non-Profit Organization vzw Putumayo Belgium (APB) and AIDSESP¹ – FORMABIAP² for the period from April 2014 until April 2018. Since 2014, the program has been working closely with The Chaikuni Institute³.

The Sui Sui Program aims to improve the social integration of indigenous peoples, and to raise more intercultural awareness in the region of Loreto by empowering indigenous organizations in the region, in particular indigenous students. It has four main goals:

- 1) Working for the immediate improvement of basic services for indigenous students of universities and institutes in Iquitos
- 2) Training indigenous students as respectful, participatory and proactive professionals, organized in a consolidated indigenous student organization
- 3) Promoting accessibility and multiculturalism in higher education
- 4) Promoting the visibility of indigenous people in the Loreto region.

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In order to support the program to achieve its goals, we are looking to complement our team with a **dedicated nutritionist**, working with us on a **voluntary basis**, for **no less than three months**. The main task of the volunteer will be to analyse the diet and day-to-day nutritional situation of the indigenous university students in Iquitos, in close collaboration with the students themselves, and finally work on recommendations and present ideas about how to improve their diet and general health. An approximate work plan of the first three months for the volunteer looks as follows:

¹ AIDSESP is the civil association that represents the indigenous peoples from the Peruvian Amazon

² FORMABIAP is AIDSESP's programme in Iquitos specialized in intercultural bilingual education

³ For more information see : www.chaikuni.org

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| | Time | Activity | Product |
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| 1 | 2 weeks | Familiarization with program, students and their living conditions. Elaborating a detailed study plan, including a timetable | Research plan and timetable |
| 2 | 2 months | Organize and implement research: interviews, monitoring, activities, secondary data collection | Collected research data (presentable) |
| 3 | 2 weeks | Report writing, summarizing and presenting recommendations and ideas for improvement (2 weeks) | Final report including recommendations and concrete ideas for improvements |

Further tasks of the volunteer may include:

- Support of and participation in capacity building workshops
- Participation in internal meetings of the Sui Sui program as well as the Chaikuni Institute
- Writing articles for the website, blog, local newspapers and contributing content for social media
- Contributing to fundraising activities
- Translation of documents and articles

QUALIFICATIONS AND PERSONAL QUALITIES:

- You hold a university degree in nutrition (or similar) or are about to finish such a degree (the vacancy could combine with a research thesis)
- Advanced knowledge in Spanish and English
- Interested in topics related to indigenous peoples
- Intercultural sensitivity, adaptability and patience
- Creativity, flexibility, independence and ability to take initiative
- Previous work with indigenous communities is desired, but not required
- For non-Peruvians: Working experience in foreign countries or in project management is desired

CONDITIONS AND DURATION

Sui Sui offers

- A professional work environment with dedicated colleagues
- A working experience in a fascinating region
- Challenging tasks on current issues
- Welcoming, training and follow-up in Iquitos by the coordinator of the Sui Sui Program
- Reference letter / Recommendations after your stay in Iquitos
- 350 soles /month (approx. 100 USD) as a contribution to living costs

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Duration

- 3 - 6 months, starting from July 2017

Place

- Iquitos, Peruvian Amazon

Work conditions

- Working during office hours (Monday to Friday) and exceptionally during weekends
- 2 days off per month (plus weekends)

Send your CV and a short cover letter in Spanish as soon as possible and before June 30th 2017 to:

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