

Common Application for Service Trips 2012



Incorporate your own experience and/or some of the ideas expressed in one of the following quotes in an essay about why you would like to participate in a particular work camp. Include your thoughts on what you would be able to bring to the project and what you would hope to gain.

- ✓ “I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again....” *Stephen Grellet – French Quaker*

- ✓ “A man has made at least a start on discovering the meaning of human life when he plants shade trees under which he knows full he will never sit.” *D. Elton Trueblood – American Quaker*

- ✓ “One is not born in the world to do everything, but to do something....” – *Henry Thoreau*

- ✓ “Service has the potential for intense gratification and also for big-time disappointment. The sense of fulfillment in all altruistic efforts must come from the doing, not from the tangible results....” *Robert Lawrence Smith – Quaker Book of Wisdom*

Use a separate sheet for each work camp you are interested in. The heading of each essay should include the name of the project along with your name, graduation year, GS personal mailbox number, and advisor’s signature. Only submit essays of your interest for the work camps that your parent/guardian has pre-approved. You must have a third year proficiency in French, Spanish, or Chinese and be approved by the Language Department to be considered for the language-based projects.

All essays should be submitted in hard copy no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, October 3, 2011. See Debbie DiMicco if you have any questions.