# INFOPACK "GLOBERS PROJECT"



Colombia Population:50 million.

Capital: Bogotá Language: Spanish.

Currency: Colombian pesos
Religion: Catholic and
Christian groups

## **COLOMBIA**



Colombia is located in the North-West corner of South America. The country borders Venezuela (East), Peru (South), Brazil (Southeast), Ecuador (South west), Pacific Ocean (West), Panama North West) and the Caribbean Sea (North). Colombia is one of the most diverse countries in Latin-America. It is a veritable patchwork of different regional cultures and idiosyncrasies interrelated into one nation. After Mexico and Brazil, Colombia is the third most populated country in Latin America. Colombia is a multicultural country and this is reflected in a population constituted by a mixture of Europeans, Asians, Indigenous and Africans.

You can find Colombians with German, African, Spanish, French, Italian, Turkish, or British roots. This leads to a large variety of different cultural influences and antecedents. As a result, there exists different styles of music, dances, and an enormous range of delicious traditional plates, which you absolutely should taste.

## **BOGOTÁ**



Bogotá is situated on a mountainous plane 2.630 meters above sea level. The east of the city is curtained by mountains, on top of one is the famous church of Monserrate, 2.930 above sea level, which provides an outstanding panoramic view over the city. Bogotá has an estimated population of 8 million people. It is the main economic and industrial center of Colombia. It is also a cultural center, home to some of the nation's finest universities, for example:

La Universidad Nacional" (public) and "Universidad de Los Andes" (private).

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You can find a cultural, as well as an industrial center, many public and private universities - most famous ones: "La Nacional", (public) and "Los Andes" (private). There are also a lot of museums located in the center of Bogota: Museo del Oro, where you can find the biggest pre- Hispanic collection of gold, Museo Nacional, Museo Botero and many more. Also you can visit Bogota's beautiful historic city: La Candelaria. One hour and a half away from Bogotá, you can find a Salt Cathedral inside a mountain. At the south of the city you can find the waterfall "El Salto de Tequendama".

Cultural life is quite rich in Bogota. The "International Theater Festival" in Bogota is very famous. More or less 150 theaters companies from all over the world play classic and modern plays. Bogota has several theaters as for example Julio Mario Santo Domingo, or Teatro Colón.

## ICYE FEDERATION

International Cultural Youth Exchange (ICYE) is an international non-profit youth exchange organization that provides youth mobility, intercultural learning, and international volunteer service opportunities to help people break prejudice and develop intercultural understanding and competence for a more world. fair and peaceful.

ICYE organizes long-term and short-term exchanges that combine home stays with volunteer service in more than 40 countries around the world.

Its main headquarters are in Berlin and representation on all continents through its National Committees.





## WHAT ICYE COLOMBIA IS

The Asociación Colombiana para el Intercambio Juvenil Cultural, ICYE-COLOMBIA is a non-for-profit association founded in 1981, full member of the Federation of ICYE National Committees since 1982.

ICYE Colombia provides challenging intercultural experiences for young people, promoting social and personal development through international volunteer programs, promoting also intercultural understanding, equality of opportunity, tolerance and peace among people in the world.

## WHAT ICYE COLOMBIA DOES

ICYE-COLOMBIA facilitates the cultural exchange of young Colombians with young people from other nations of the world, seeking to awaken in them a feeling of responsibility and service towards all humanity, motivating knowledge and respect for the forms and social norms, customs, habits and cultural elements of other countries, in order to enhance intercultural understanding, promoting the responsible commitment of Youth, through the development of exchange and volunteer programs.

## THE PROGRAM IN COLOMBIA

The volunteer will be hosted in a family in Bogotá, with his/her room, food. He/she will receive a pocket money and transportation money. After On arrival camp, volunteer will take the Spanish course, will get the Colombian ID, and will be introduced in the project



## **MENTOR**

The volunteer will be supported by a person from host organization, who will be the contact person responsible for the overall running of the project in terms of activities of the volunteer, learning process, practical arrangements, allowance, etc.

## **VOLUNTEER PROFILE**

- The volunteer must be between 23 and 26 years old. Man/Women The volunteer must have basic understanding of global migration
- The volunteer must have knowledge or experience about multiculturalism
- He/she must be a patient person, able to follow rules, with the ability to motivate the people object of the project and knows how to stablish limits with the personnel with whom be works.
- He/she must be being an open sociable and dynamic person ready to work and help others with his/her knowledge and share his/her own culture.
- The volunteer must speak English and have a basic Spanish language.
- He/she must know how to use Google Drive, how to create a Facebook and Instagram page.
- Be able to manage and offer logistical support on line platforms (media, video and photography)
   Availability to do office work

## THE PROJECT

#### O.R.I.- INTER INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE, BOGOTA





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#### **AIMS**

- To strengthen the international dimension of the University.
- To promote international cooperation among students, professors and the university staff.
- To organize and revise the exchange agreements of the university (Campus, Bogotá).
- To promote national and international mobility of students and teachers.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- Provide advice and accompaniment to students at Headquarters interested in outgoing academic mobility nationally and internationally.
- Advise and accompany visiting students who are interested or are doing incoming mobility at Headquarters
- To attend foreign and national missions and guests that visit the Headquarters and advise the academic-administrative authorities of the Headquarters that move abroad on behalf of the University.
- \*Guide teachers and students at Headquarters in the immigration procedures that they require.
- Advise the faculties on inter-institutional relations and management of agreements. To spread
- information on international opportunities through various media sources (web, newsletter, bulletin boards, news agency, information center, flyers, UN Radio) and to follow the procedures in relations worldwide.
- To update the information on worldwide mobility agreements that are held by the universities.
- Support ICYE Colombia at fairs taking place at the National University.

#### TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEER.

- Coordinate language clubs and groups to develop themes.
- Support the other activities of the "Academia en Movimiento" Program
- · Support updating the content of the website
- · Give talks, organize events
- Translate support documents
- Support the advice, accompaniment and integration of national and international visiting students.
- Support the advice and accompaniment of students at the Bogotá
- headquarters. Support the organization of internationalization activities managed by the office.

#### **HOLLIDAYS**

The volunteer will have 24 days of holidays during the year.

For vacation periods there are many places in the country the volunteer can visit, we mention some: Salt Cathedral, San Andrés Island, Los Llanos Orientales, El Parque del Café, La Guajira, El desierto (desert) de la Tatacoa, Barranquilla Carnival, among others. You can travel by plane or by bus.

## **VISA PROCEDURE**

Visa Type: VISITOR

(TYPE V) Volunteer/Cooperant

When you start the application online, click

to get to know the requirements. Then you have to choose from the options: Nationality, Type of passport and travel purpose. Or, click directly on the visa process link <a href="https://tramitesmre.cancilleria.gov.co/tramites/enlinea/solicitarVisa.xhtml">https://tramitesmre.cancilleria.gov.co/tramites/enlinea/solicitarVisa.xhtml</a> (in English)

Carefully read and complete the requested information without typographical or typing errors. Any inaccuracy or misrepresentation in the information you provide on this form results in the inadmissibility of the non- refundable application for securities paid.

You must have at least 30 minutes to apply online.

To start the online application process, you must have a 3x4cm color photo with white background, recent, front, no accessories, clear face, in JPG format up to 300 KB. Individual documents in PDF format, legible, suggested in black and white. The maximum weight allowed for the total of documents attached to an application is 5MB.

#### REQUIREMENTS

All the following documents to apply for your Visa must be uploaded online and must be in PDF format. The combined size of all scanned or uploaded documents must not exceed 3 MB.

- \* Completed online application
- \* All documents presented must be fewer than 3 months old.
- \* Invitation acceptance letter for the program.
- \* Certificate of existence and legal representation of the HO
- \* Standard declaration form on eligibility of the volunteer
- \* Weekly schedule of the volunteer at the social project

#### Note:

If you make your request in person, you are not required to hand in photographs. They will be taken in the dispatching office

#### COLOMBIAN ID. CEDULA DE EXTRANJERÍA

During the first 15 days in Colombia you will have to go to "Migración Colombia" office to apply for ID card for foreigners called "Cédula de Extranjería", Colombian ID. Someone from ICYE will join you. You can get it at: Calle 100 No 11B-27, Edificio Platinum, Bogotá

The ID will be given to you after roughly one week. ID CARD costs: COP \$190. 000.00 (approx. 55 Euros) to be paid by credit or debit card. For the Colombian ID, Volunteers should take the following documents:

- Passport
- Photocopy of visa
- · Photocopy of the first page of passport
- Photocopy of the stamp given at the immigration desk at El Dorado Airport.

### **CURRENCY**

It is quite difficult to give exact value, due the peso's fluctuation in relation to the U.S. dollar or euro. We will give you this information before your arrival to Bogotá.

## **AIRPORT**

Once you arrive at Bogota, El Dorado airport, according to the travel information we get from your organization, a member of ICYE-Colombia will pick you up, together with members of your host family to take you home.

Just in case in case something unexpected happens, here are the phone numbers of the ICYE Committee:

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