



2012 Teen Volunteer Abroad Application

Name of Applicant: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Have you spoken to a Cross-Cultural Solutions representative on the phone? Yes / No

If so, what was the representative's name: _____

2012 Teen Volunteer Abroad participants will choose from the following start dates & locations:

1-Week Programs (Sat–Sun)

Costa Rica	June 16	July 21
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2-Week Programs (Sat - Sat)

China	July 7	July 21	
Ghana	June 30	July 14	
Thailand	June 23		
Guatemala	June 16	July 7	July 28
South Africa	July 21		

3-Week Program (Sat- Sat)

South Africa	July 21	
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Please list the program sites and dates you would like to apply for, in order of preference.

1st Choice: _____

2nd Choice: _____

This document is understood to be an application for enrollment submitted by the applicant *and* the applicant's parent or legal guardian on behalf of the applicant. ***Space in the Teen Volunteer Abroad program is limited.*** We encourage you to submit this form as early as possible.

To Be Completed By Applicant:

Please attach pages as needed to answer the questions thoroughly. Please consider your answers to the questions carefully; your response will be sent to the CCS Application Review Committee.

- 1.) What is your personal motivation for participating in a Cross-Cultural Solutions Teen Abroad program? (200 words minimum)
- 2.) What are your goals and expectations for the Teen Abroad program experience? (200 words minimum)
- 3.) This program was designed for mature individuals and we expect all Teen Abroad participants to uphold the CCS values of Shared Humanity, Respect and Integrity. Why do you think you are well suited for this program? Please support your answer with examples. (300 words minimum)
- 4.) Please list previous volunteer experiences, both domestic and abroad.
- 5.) Please list previous international travel experience and note whether travel was independent or accompanied by family.

To Be Completed By Parent Or Legal Guardian:

Please read each section and initial each box:

I understand that the Cross-Cultural Solutions Teen Volunteer Abroad program is designed for mature individuals who will live and work in a group setting, in a country with different regulations and culture, and requires a great degree of responsibility, adaptability and teamwork that my child is capable of exercising.

I understand that laws governing legal drinking age, legal driving age and legal age of consent are different in the country for which we are applying. While laws of the host country must be respected, CCS policies are based on US laws, and CCS expects volunteers to adhere to these US laws, and violation of any of the CCS policies will result in immediate termination from the program.

Parent/Guardian Statement: Please attach an additional page providing any additional information that will help us understand why the applicant for whom you are responsible is indeed sufficiently mature and responsible to participate on a CCS program, taking into account the risks inherent in this type of program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Application Submission Instructions

Please submit the *completed* application to Cross-Cultural Solutions by email, fax, or post. Please do not send a partial application. All applications must include:

- **Both pages of this signed application**
- **Attached answers to 5 applicant questions**
- **Attached parent or guardian statement**
- **One letter of recommendation from a non-relative**

Email Address: apply@crossculturalsolutions.org

Fax Number: +1 (914) 632-8494

Mailing Address: 2 Clinton Place, New Rochelle, NY, 10801, USA

Applicant's Signature: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

All applications will be read and considered in the order that they are received. Please allow up to 48 business hours for an e-mail response. In addition to this application, **a brief telephone interview with the applicant is also required for approval**. You must be approved before you may enroll.

You may direct all questions regarding the application to the Program Enrollment Department:

US & Canada: 1-914-632-0022 or 1-800-380-4777 (toll-free)
United Kingdom: 0845 458 2781 or +44 (0)1273 666392
Australia: 02 4368 4176