

DATABASE OF ORGANISATIONS OFFERING GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITIES, March 2024 Edition. Produced by Gap Year Fairs

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TYPE OF GAP YEAR	NAME OF ORGANISATION	PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS	PHONE	WEBSITE
Adventure Travel / Voluntary Opportunities	Oyster Worldwide	Adventure travel and volunteering opportunities in over 25 countries worldwide.	01892-770-771	oysterworldwide.com
Adventure Travel	Gapforce	Group tours, marine conservation and leadership training.	020-73843028	gapforce.org
Art History / Italy / Culture	Art History Abroad	Enlightening cultural courses travelling throughout Italy. 2-6 weeks, all year round, dynamic on-site tuition in small groups	01379-871800	arthistoryabroad.com
Church-Based Projects (Latin America)	Latin Link - Step and Stride Teams	Step and Stride Teams get involved with practical projects, help in community and serve alongside the local church in Latin America	0118-957-7114	latinlink.org.uk/step
Conservation	Earthwatch Institute (Europe)	An international environmental charity recruiting volunteers to join research projects operating all over the world.	01865-318838	earthwatch.org.uk
Conservation Volunteering UK	Action for Conservation	Residential summer conservation camps & information service on opportunities with other UK conservation charities.	07766-307-675	actionforconservation.org
Conservation Work with Wildlife	African Conservation Experience	Work with African wildlife and carry out valuable conservation work on Game and Nature Reserves in Southern Africa.	01454-269182	conservationafrica.net
Cookery & Recruitment for Ski Resort Work	Orchards Cookery Ltd	Training, recruiting chalet cooks 5 day / 2 week residential courses. Off to University course. Qualifies for Gold DofE.	01789-490259	orchardscookery.co.uk
Cookery/Wine(Professional/Amateur Courses)	Leiths School of Food and Wine	Cookery school offering professional chef diplomas, enthusiast courses and online cooking courses.	0208-749-6400	leiths.com
Drama Course	Year Out Drama	An intensive, full-time, year-long practical drama course based in Stratford-on-Avon.	via website	yearoutdrama.co.uk
Expeditions / Environmental Research	British Exploring Society	Adventure and environmental research expeditions to remote wilderness environments worldwide.	020-7591-3141	britishexploring.org
Gap Year Programme in Italy in Liberal Arts	John Hall Venice Course	arts and Culture gap year course in London, Venice, Florence, Rome.	020-8871-4747	johnhallvenice.com
Industry: Science, Engineering, IT, Technology	The Year in Industry (YINI)	Degree-related, paid, year-long work placements in business, ICT, marketing, technology, science or engineering.	01707-906-106	etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry
Internships / Career Experience (overseas)	Projects Abroad	Wide range of career experience placements in 30 countries around the world.	01903-708300	projects-abroad.co.uk
Internships / Career Experience (overseas)	Changing Worlds	Providing a wide range of life-changing learning, volunteering and travel opportunities around the world.	0117-471-0635	changingworlds.co.uk
Language Courses Abroad	LANACOS	Certified residential courses (DofE) 1 week to 1 year, approved by top universities, speak fast on a linguistic gap year.	01732-456543	lanacos.com
Language Courses Abroad	CESA Languages Abroad	1 to 16 week language courses + Academic Term / Year courses. All ability levels. In Europe, Latin America & Asia	01209-211800	cesalanguages.com
Languages / Hospitality Management (Paid)	Canvas Holidays	Paid summer work in campsites across Europe. Wide range of roles.	01383-629012	canvasholidays.co.uk/jobs
Medical / Journalism / Other Work Experience	Global Volunteer Projects	Medical, Nursing, Physiotherapy & Journalism work experience projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America.	0191-222-0404	globalvolunteerprojects.org
Paid work/Internships abroad	Oyster Worldwide	Guaranteed work in Canadian ski resorts, hospitality/Outbank work OZ/NZ.	01892-770-771	oysterworldwide.com
Paid work, Volunteering Worldwide, US Camps	BUNAC	Paid working holidays (US, Canada, OZ, NZ, Japan), volunteering (Africa, Asia, Americas), internships (Asia), summer camps USA.	0333-014-8484	bunac.org
Paid Seasonal Work Overseas	Eurocamp & Al Fresco Holidays	Paid summer work on campsites in Europe, variety of positions available working for Eurocamp and Al Fresco Holidays.	01606-787522	eurocampandalfrescojobs.com
Paid Work Placements (Various Roles)	PGL Travel Ltd	Paid work opportunities at children's activity and educational centres across the UK.	0333-321-2123	jobs.pgl.co.uk
Paid Work Placements	Childcare International Ltd	Au pair placements throughout USA (one year), Australia, New Zealand and Europe (3-6 months+)	020-8371-4551	childint.co.uk
Paid Work, Canada	GAP YEAR CANADA	Paid work, Banff, Canada, pre-organised mountain jobs, early season ski instructor course. Guaranteed employment.	+403-763-7015	GapYearCanada.com
Sailing, RYA Qualifications and Experience	Tall Ships Youth Trust	72ft Yacht youth development and sailing adventures in the UK/Portugal/Madeira/Canaries. Opportunities to volunteer.	023-9283-2055	tallships.org
Ski Resort Paid Work Information	The Orchards School of Cookery	Information on life in a ski resort, types of jobs available, and the advantages/disadvantages, benefits etc. Where to start.	01789-490259	orchardscookery.co.uk
Ski Resort Instructor Courses	TipTop Ski Coaching Ltd	BASI levels 1 & 2 ski instructour courses at Les Deux Alpes with optional MIAS biking qualifications (summer only)	Go to website	tiptopskicoaching.com
Ski/Snowboard Courses, Canada	NONSTOP Ski & Snowboard	2, 3, 6, 11 week ski / snowboard improvement / instructor courses in Canada.	01225-632165	nonstopsnow.com
Social / Caring (USA)	Camphill Association of North America	Volunteer in vibrant multicultural communities alongside people with developmental disabilities. Nature, art, farming & more.	00119177655315	camphill.org
Sport: Play & Coach (OZ, NZ)	Sport Lived	Play and coach sport in Australia. Programmes last 4 weeks to 6 months.	0115-822-9999	sportlived.co.uk
Sport: Play & Coach Overseas	Sporting Opportunities	Sports coaching and internship opportunities in Africa, Asia, Caribbean, South America and South Pacific.	0117-313-8162	sportingopportunities.com
TEFL Courses, Advice, Jobs Worldwide	Cactus Worldwide Ltd	TEFL courses, advice, TEFL jobs and impartial TEFL advice. Language and volunteering projects overseas.	0845-130-4775	cactusworldwide.com
Thailand: Teaching	Karen Hilltribes Trust	Minimum 3 month placement teaching English to hill tribes children in either a primary or secondary school in northern Thailand.	01904-612829	karenhilltribes.org.uk

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USA School Scholarships	The English-Speaking Union	Gap year scholarships to spend 6 or 9 months at private USA high schools.	0207-529-1550	esu.org
USA Summer Camps	BUNAC	All-American job on BUNAC's Summer Camp USA programme. General Counsellors and Activity Specialists.	0333-014-8484	bunac.org
Voluntary Work (Africa & Asia)	Restless Development (formerly SPW)	Youth-led development agency, international placements focused on HIV/AIDS and youth issues in rural communities.	0207-808-1780	restlessdevelopment.org
Voluntary Work Overseas	ICS: International Citizen Service	Scheme suspended until further notice.	020-8780-7500	volunteerics.org
Voluntary Work Overseas	Project Trust	12 month volunteer placements in Africa, Asia and South / Central America: teaching, social care and Outward Bound	01879-230444	projecttrust.org.uk
Voluntary Work Overseas	Africa & Asia Venture (AV)	Full-immersion community, sports coaching and teaching volunteer programmes in Africa and Asia.	01380-729009	aventure.co.uk
Voluntary Work in Costa Rica and South Africa	Raleigh International	Volunteer expeditions to Costa Rica and South Africa comprising community, environment and adventure projects.	N/A	raleighinternational.org
Voluntary Work Overseas	Projects Abroad	Volunteer placements in 30 countries in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, South America, Caribbean, South Pacific.	01903-708300	projects-abroad.co.uk
Voluntary Work Overseas	Pod Volunteer	1 week+ Animal Rescue, Conservation, Community Volunteering Worldwide.	N/A	podvolunteer.org
Voluntary Work and internships in Fiji and Bali	Think Pacific	Volunteer in the Fiji islands or Bali, 1 or 2 months. Projects: teaching, youth projects, sports coaching, mental health and business.	0113-335-9919	thinkpacific.com
Voluntary Work Overseas	The Leap Overseas Ltd	4-5 week volunteer projects: Community, Conservation, Global Warming, Plastic Oceans, Marine Conservation.	01672-519922	theleap.co.uk
Voluntary Work Overseas	Inter-Cultural Youth Exchange (ICYE-UK)	Worldwide voluntary social and environmental placements, emphasising cultural exchange, for 4 months to 1 year.	N/A	icye.org.uk
Yachting/Ski/Snow/Sail/Surf/Windsurf/Dive	Flying Fish	Superyacht crew training, Yacht Master, dinghy & windsurf training.	01903-280641	flyingfishonline.com
<u>Advice Organisations</u>				
Gap Year Information and Advice	Year Out Group	Association of established gap year organisations that adhere to a Code of Practice and provide a wide range of options	01869-338890	yearoutgroup.org
Gap Year and Independent Travel	Trailfinders Travel Academy	Travel advice & booking service for individuals online and at branches in 39 UK towns & cities. Wide range of travel styles.	Go to website	trailfinders.com
Travel Safety	Objective Travel Safety	Gap year travel and safety courses in-person and virtually for individuals, schools and colleges.	01788-899-029	objectivegapyear.com
Paid Work Overseas Information	The Jobs Abroad Bulletin	Website providing information on paid work opportunities worldwide and advice on living abroad, travel etc.	01788-899029	jobsabroadbulletin.co.uk
Specialist Gap Year Travel Insurance	MPI Brokers (Mind the Gap Year)	Specialist gap year travel and backpacker insurance, safety and assistance for travellers.	N/A	mpibrokers.com
Hostels for Independent Travellers	Hostelz.com	Website providing information on hostels worldwide.	N/A	hostelz.com
Travel Health Service	Nomad Travel Clinics	Leading provider of travel health services. 9 Nomad clinics offering wide range of travel vaccines and medication.	01341-555061	nomadtravel.co.uk
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