

DATABASE OF ORGANISATIONS OFFERING GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITIES, September 2022 Edition. Produced by Gap Year Fairs

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TYPE OF GAP YEAR	NAME OF ORGANISATION	PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS	PHONE	WEBSITE / EMAIL
Agriculture (Organic)	Willing Workers on Organic Farms	Volunteer exchange programme worldwide: farming/gardening work 4-6hrs/day for food/accommodation. 2200 hosts.	Go to website	woof.net
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
Art History / Venice / Language	John Hall Venice Course	Cultural gap year course in Venice, Florence, Rome: art history, literature, music, cinema, cookery, life drawing, photography.	020-8871-4747	johnhallvenice.com
Business / Information Technology	IBM UK Ltd	12 month paid gap year, work in various business areas including HR, Marketing, Finance, Technology, Software	Go to website	ibm.com/employment/uk
Church-Based Projects (South America)	Latin Link - Step Teams	Step Teams get involved with practical projects, help in the community and join with local Christians in evangelism.	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
Conservation Expeditions	GAPFORCE	Remote conservation, teaching and medical placements, working holidays, sport coaching, ski instructor, leadership training.	0207-384-3028	gapforce.org
Conservation Expeditions	Blue Ventures Expeditions	Projects suspended until further notice.	0207-697-8598	blueventures.org
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
Dance	Springs Dance Company	A contemporary Christian dance training course, performance and teaching experience on national tour, runs Sept to June.	07775-628442	SpringsDanceCompany.org.uk
Drama Course	Year Out Drama	An intensive, full-time, year-long practical drama course based in Stratford-on-Avon.	via website	yearoutdrama.co.uk
Engineering	Renishaw PLC	Summer placements, gap years, apprenticeships, industrial placements. University sponsorships possible.	01453-524524	renishaw.com
Expeditions (Oceanic)	Tall Ships Youth Trust	Tall Ship adventures in the UK, Mediterranean, Canaries, Trans-Atlantic & Caribbean.	023-9283-2055	tallships.org
Expeditions / Environmental Research	British Exploring Society	Adventure and environmental research expeditions to remote wilderness environments worldwide.	020-7591-3141	britishexploring.org
Finance / Business Scholarships	Deloitte	Scholars Scheme: paid placements, business training & working with professional staff. Go to website for more details.	0207-303-6943	deloitte.co.uk/scholars
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.	0121-281-5345	etrust.org.uk
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)	Oyster Worldwide	Medical internships in India, guaranteed work in Canadian ski resorts, hospitality/Outbank work OZ/NZ.	01892-770771	oysterworldwide.com
Internships / Career Experience (overseas)	The Leap Overseas Ltd	Internship / career experience options in teaching, medical, media, ecotourism. Refer to website for more options.	01672-519922	theleap.co.uk
Internships/Career Experience opportunities (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 (Spanish)	don Quijote UK	Year round Spanish courses 1-44 weeks, all levels, in schools in Spain & Latin America. Accommodation provided.	020-8786-8081	donquijote.org
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
Management Consultancy	Accenture	8 month gap year scheme and other school leaver opportunities.	0800-028-5576	accenture.com
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, Volunteering Worldwide, US Camps	BUNAC	Paid working holidays (US, Canada, OZ, NZ, Japan), volunteering (Africa, Asia, Americas), internships (Asia), summer camps USA.	0333-999-7516	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 in the UK, France & Spain.	0333-321-2123	pgl.co.uk/gapyear
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
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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

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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 instructor 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
Social / Community Work, UK & Overseas	Time for God	Volunteering in UK communities: churches, caring and social projects, activity and retreat centres, creative projects.	01423-536248	timeforgod.org
Sport: Play & Coach (OZ, NZ)	Sport Lived	Play and coach sport in Australia and New Zealand. 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 a secondary school in northern Thailand.	01904-612829	karenhilltribes.org.uk
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.	0333-999-7516	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	volunteers.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	Raleigh Costa Rica	Volunteer expeditions to Costa Rica comprising community, environment and adventure projects.	+506-846-431-31	raleighcostarica.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	Non-profit organisation arranging ethical and supported volunteering around the world, one week or longer.	01242-241-181	podvolunteer.org
Voluntary Work in Fiji Islands	Think Pacific	Volunteer in rural areas, Fiji islands, 1 or 2 months. Projects: teaching, youth projects, sports coaching.	0113-335-9919	thinkpacific.com
Voluntary Work Overseas	The Leap Overseas Ltd	3-10 week volunteer projects: Community, Conservation, Ecotourism, Childcare, Teaching, 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 3 weeks to 1 year.	020-7681-0983	icye.org.uk
Voluntary and Paid Work Abroad	Oyster Worldwide	Teaching, childcare, animal welfare and sports coaching in Africa, SE Asia, Latin America, Europe.	01892 770771	oysterworldwide.com
Yachting/Ski/Snow/Sail/Surf/Windsurf/Dive	Flying Fish	Superyacht crew training, Yacht Master, dinghy & windsurf training.	01903-280641	flyingfishonline.com
Advice Organisations				
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 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 Ltd	One day travel safety courses for individuals and schools.	Go to website	objectivegapsafety.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	Mind the Gap Year	Specialist gap year travel and backpacker insurance, safety and assistance for travellers.	Go to website	mindthegapyear.com
Hostels for Independent Travellers	Hostelz.com	Website providing information on hostels worldwide.	Go to website	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
Europe: Travel Scholarships	Peter Kirk Memorial Fund	Up to 10 scholarships, value £2000, awarded each year for 6 weeks to 3 months travel in Europe. Written report required.	Go to website	kirkfund.org.uk
This database is a list of recommended gap year organisations. However, inclusion in the database does not imply that we guarantee the quality and value for money of the programmes listed.				