



## CGE Cuernavaca Agency Placements

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The following is a list of some of the potential agencies that may receive students in service placements. Please note that this list is not all-inclusive and is subject to change by semesters.

### **Casa de Día/Day House for the Elderly**

A house for the elderly run by the Department of Family Services (DIF) in the state of Morelos. It offers activities for elderly people as well as a "temporary" shelter for elderly who are without a home or family. Interns could work with the social worker and/or physical therapist to assist individuals with particular goals, as well as organize and run art or music classes and other activities. For more information see the Casa de Día webpage at [www.e-morelos.gob.mx/e-gobierno/DirDIF/casadiatemixco.htm](http://www.e-morelos.gob.mx/e-gobierno/DirDIF/casadiatemixco.htm)

### **Casa Hogar Heredia Lopez, A.C./House for the Elderly**

A house for the elderly run by Josefina sisters. It offers activities for elderly people. Interns could assist individuals with particular goals, as well as organize and run art or music classes and other activities.

### **Casa de Salud Malitzin/Malitzin Health Center**

This is a community based alternative health clinic serving low-income families in the town of Tejalpa, about an hour by bus from downtown Cuernavaca. This clinic places a large emphasis on alternative medicine and women's health.

**Caminamos Juntos Para Salud y Desarrollo/Walking Together for Health and Development.** Caminamos Juntos (CJ) is a non-profit Non Governmental Organization, working in Tlamacazapa Guerrero (a two-hour drive from Cuernavaca) with the main office in Cuernavaca. Currently, CJ focuses on the three key areas of health and well-being, water and sanitation, and income generation. Interns could help with interviewing women involved in the pre-natal program in the community as well as data entry and office work with the project. Interns will need to work some Saturdays.

### **Caminando Unidos: Walking Together**

This is an educational program for street kids, most of them with learning disabilities. Interns can help in many ways: playing, teaching, and organizing meals, among other things. For more information, see the *Caminando Unidos* website at [www.caminandounidos.org.mx](http://www.caminandounidos.org.mx)

### **Casa Teluatl: Alternative Health Center**

This is a community based alternative health clinic serving low-income families in the town of Ocotopac. The intern would assist the alternative health care practitioners.

### **CD-4**

This is a non-profit organization which conducts HIV/AIDS education in Cuernavaca. Students may help with a variety of projects in this completely volunteer organization. For more information, see the *CD4* website at [www.grupocd4.org](http://www.grupocd4.org)

### **CENDI: Childcare Center**

Students assist the teachers with their classes and help tutor pre-school and kindergarten-aged children who need extra help.

### **Centro de Experimentación para el Desarrollo de la Formación Tecnológica (CEDEFT)**

A non-governmental organization that is involved in community education, training, and public policy advocacy, particularly with regard to environmental issues, sustainable development, civil society, and democracy. Interns could help design educational materials, conduct visits to municipalities, conduct research related to specific projects, and assist in the office with filing and systematizing information. For more information, see the CEDEFT website at [www.morelostravel.com/educativo/centros2.html](http://www.morelostravel.com/educativo/centros2.html)



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### ***Centro de Innovación en Tecnología Alternativa (CITA)/Center for Innovations in Alternative Technology***

A non-governmental environmental organization that provides training and technical assistance to community organizations interested in using alternative technology such as dry latrines. This field work is ideal for students interested in ecology and water resource management. CITA would love to have an intern who could help them construct a WEB page. Computer skills are a plus.

### ***Comisión Independiente de Derechos Humanos, Morelos (CIDHM)/Independent Human Rights Commission, State of Morelos***

An independent, non-governmental organization dedicated to promoting human rights in Morelos and throughout Mexico. Interns could assist with research, translation of documents from English to Spanish, and the development of educational materials and workshops. This organization provides great opportunities to learn about political organizing in Mexico and to shadow local organizers as they work in diverse communities in the state of Morelos. For more information, see the CIDHM website at [www.laneta.apc.org/cidhmor/](http://www.laneta.apc.org/cidhmor/)

### ***Habitat para la Humanidad/Habitat for Humanity, Mexico***

The Mexican branch of Habitat for Humanity, International – an ecumenical Christian non-governmental organization that provides interest-free loans for low-income housing, which is built by the family that will receive the home, with assistance from other Habitat beneficiaries and volunteers. Interns could help develop educational and training materials for volunteers, assist in the office, and help with the construction of the houses. For more information, see *Habitat for Humanity's* website at [www2.habitat.org/intl/countryprofiles.fm](http://www2.habitat.org/intl/countryprofiles.fm)

### ***LaNeta: The Truth***

A Mexican Internet service-provider that works with non-profit and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) within Mexico. An intern with strong computer and web design skills could help some of the NGOs with whom LaNeta works in the design of their own web pages. For more information, see *LaNeta's* website at <http://host.laneta.org/>

### ***State of Morelos Bureau of Tourism***

This is a state government bureau dedicated to promoting tourism. An intern could help translate brochures and other documents, as well as work on specific projects at the time. For more information, visit their website: [www.morelostravel.com/](http://www.morelostravel.com/)

### ***Schools: Elementary, Junior High, or High School***

There are a few different schools in which interns could serve as teachers' assistants.

### ***Viva la Tierra/Long Live the Earth Cooperative Store***

A small cooperative store that sells organic food and other organic products and handicrafts produced by cooperatives. This field work provides an opportunity to learn about cooperatives and small businesses. Interns could help with accounting, sales, publicity, and the development of new contacts. Computer skills, familiarity with cooperatives, and willingness to travel are desired. For more information, see *Viva la Tierra's* website at [www.laneta.apc.org/vivalatierra/](http://www.laneta.apc.org/vivalatierra/)

### ***Ministerios de Amor/ Ministries of Love***

An evangelical Christian ministry for street kids and orphans. This Christian-based organization has 5 different houses: one for new born babies, one for girls, one for boys, one for teenage boys and one for teenage girls. Interns can mostly help in tutoring kids, helping them do their homework as well as assist in the different areas of the centers.



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### **Centros de Integración Juvenil / Centers for Youth Rehabilitation**

This government organization is involved in drug education and prevention as well as drug treatment, focusing on addiction to illegal drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. Although intended originally for teenagers, it assists anyone with these problems. Interns can assist in workshops and help translate documents. For more information, see their website at [www.cij.gob.mx/](http://www.cij.gob.mx/)

### **Fundación Don Bosco**

Don Bosco Foundation. An alternative Junior High and High school that works with at risk kids. Interns can assist teachers with English and other classes as well as organize and lead an after-school program. For more information, see *Fundación Don Bosco's* website at [www.prodigyweb.net.mx/fbosco/contacto.html](http://www.prodigyweb.net.mx/fbosco/contacto.html)

### **TepozEco**

This is an ecological pilot project for a cleaner urban ecology located in the nearby town of Tepoztlán. They experiment and work at providing ways to clean and reuse water through natural filter systems and dry toilets. They also do compost projects, urban organic agriculture, building with natural materials and environmental education for kids, adolescence, adults etc. It is a great place for interns that like more hands-on work and learning about modern environmental alternatives.

### **Ejército de Salvación: Salvation Army**

A small week-day orphanage for children of all ages who come from broken homes or situations where they don't have families to care for them. Interns can help tutor the children with their homework, teach English classes and participate in the daily routine with the children. For more information, see the Salvation Army's International website at [www1.salvationarmy.org/ihq/www\\_sa.nsf](http://www1.salvationarmy.org/ihq/www_sa.nsf)

### **Instituto Estatal de Educación para Adultos de Morelos (INEEA)**

The State Educational Institute for Adults of Morelos. This institution provides basic adult education (elementary through high school levels) to adults over the age of 15. Interns can work at the administrative level as well as teaching classes on various different subjects. For more information, *INEEA's* website at [www.morelos.ineea.gob.mx/](http://www.morelos.ineea.gob.mx/)

### **Instituto de Investigación Legislativo**

The Legislative Research Institute. This institute engages in research and evaluation of different governmental public policies including health care, education, employment, public works as well as many other areas. Interns can evaluate the effectiveness of governmental policies through direct research and office work.

### **Asociación Pro Personas con Parálisis Cerebral (APAC)**

The Association For Persons with Cerebral Palsy. The APAC Center works with children and adolescences with Cerebral Palsy. Interns will assist in the everyday activities and social development of the students through games, classes and recreation.

### **DIF-Desarrollo Integral Familiar: Department of Family Services**

The governmental social service agency set up to meet the social needs of the community. Interns could work in any of the different areas ranging from working with street children and adolescences to elderly adults to working with women. For more information, see the DIF's website at [www.difmorelos.gob.mx/mxprincipal.html](http://www.difmorelos.gob.mx/mxprincipal.html)

### **Small Business Management**

There are other possibilities to work with local businesses to observe different professional fields and businesses in Cuernavaca.