

A GVI service-learning program gives students access to skill development and practical experience while engaging with a rigorous curriculum. Geared towards developing capacities in teamwork, leadership, and intercultural competency, our programs are guided by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. We offer students hands-on experience by field experts to complement the theoretical framework learned in the classroom. GVI can deliver a 3-credit service-learning course for your students or work with your faculty to provide academic resources to complement their existing courses.

GVI additionally provides undergraduate and graduate-level internships at each location.



EDUCATION PROJECT DESCRIPTION

GVI's education projects enable students to engage in a range of initiatives with partner organizations in South Africa, Nepal, Costa Rica, Mexico, Fiji, India, or Laos.

Our projects seek to bridge economic and social divides that exist in communities due to a lack of access to high quality education, and are suited for education majors or individuals who are interested in a career in teaching, education administration, or nonprofit management.

Example projects especially suited to students interested in education include:

- Implementing livelihood strategies and environmental workshops in traditional Fijian villages;
- Assisting with infrastructure construction projects in Fiji, Costa Rica, South Africa, Nepal, or India;
- Creating income-generation initiatives for women's empowerment in India or Laos;
- Contributing to childcare and school activities in Nepal, South Africa, India, Mexico or Costa Rica.

“ I left GVI with the desire to pursue my education and become the best teacher I could be. I credit my experience with GVI as the reason I chose to focus on a career in the education sector, because GVI gave me my first real taste of what a truly rewarding experience teaching is.

Andria Hoyle, GVI Thailand

OUR IMPACT

Each GVI project is aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and has short, medium, and long-term milestones that focus on achieving benchmarks tailored to specific SDGs. We measure our progress through impact and achievement reports which are shared with all stakeholders. An experience with GVI is one that transforms students by providing them with the skills to affect positive change and the knowledge that inspires a lifetime of deep global engagement.

HEALTH & SAFETY

With more than 28,000 alumni and a field staff of over 150 permanent employees, our expert team puts health and safety first.

- We run comprehensive risk assessments for each of our project sites;
- Each group or individual will be briefed on our risk assessments and emergency action plans during orientation;
- Our staff live alongside members of the local community year-round in every location in which we operate;
- We know the areas intimately, and have dedicated, experienced professionals available to students and faculty 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

GVI works with colleges and universities across the United States and around the world, and has received students from renowned institutions such as:

- Duke University
- Stanford University
- Oxford University
- University of Melbourne
- Ohio State University
- Texas A&M University
- University of Oregon
- Chapman University
- School for International Training (SIT)

