

Asia Plateau Internship Programme Asia Plateau, Panchgani – 412805, India

About the Programme

The programme will be at Asia Plateau, the Initiatives of Change (formerly MRA) Centre, located on the hills of Panchgani, Maharashtra, 100 km from Pune.

Interns will be taken in two batches in a year : 1 September 2013 -31 January 2014, 1 February-30 June 2014 . For each intake, applications should come in at least 6 weeks before the starting date.

This is a hands-on programme with emphasis on learning and growing through voluntary service, leadership and initiative. The program includes:

1. **Learning through attendance** at seminars, workshops, conferences and other programmes of the Centre which provide unique opportunities to hear experts on various subjects and to meet, mingle and have interactions with some eminent and accomplished facilitators and participants coming from varied backgrounds, professions and locations.
2. **Interactive Sessions** with opportunities for learning from other countries and cultures. Interns will be expected to make presentations about their respective countries. Living in a multi-faith, multi-cultural community provides a rich experience in life skills, relationship-building and team-work.
3. **Leading and Organising** participants of all levels in the practical running of the Centre's activities and at group meetings.
4. **Dedicated Sessions** for personal empowerment through effective living and leadership as encouraged by IofC, allow one to examine one's own life and living, study the forces that can build a sound society as well as understand the relationship between the individual and the state of the world.

Apart from Asia Plateau programs, 'Grampari', IofC's Rural and Ecology Centre, provides opportunities to work with and learn from village leaders and others from rural India. There may be village visits and activities conducted by Grampari.

The selection criteria for the participants are as follows:

1. Graduate (Preferable but not essential).
2. Knowledge of spoken and written English.
3. Should be a responsible and reliable self-starter and a cheerful team player. A commitment to live by the Community Guidelines of Asia Plateau, respect for authority and maintenance of discipline are essential.
4. Acceptance of IofC's standards of Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love as values to live by and endeavoring to make a sincere effort to live a life of care and service.
5. Tobacco in any form and alcohol are strictly banned.
6. Should be physically fit, in good health with ability for hard work and service.
7. Age: Between 19 and 35 years.

Spoken Hindi/Marathi, and musical, acting and other talents will be an added advantage.

This program is open to both the genders irrespective of culture, religion or background.

Those meeting the above criteria and keen to join may fill up the application form on the following two pages and email to apip@in.iofc.org

Duly filled applications (email or physical) should reach us 2 months before each batch starts.

There may be a telephonic interview before final selection. Successful candidates will be informed through email.

Cost of travel to Asia Plateau and back, incidental and personal expenditure and any other travel apart from the ones for any 'outreach' programme are to be borne by the candidates. Selected candidates should also take their health insurance covering their entire stay in India. While boarding and lodging will be free, any contribution will be welcome. The Centre may provide a small pocket money in some cases. Tobacco in any form and consumption of alcohol are strictly prohibited during your Internship.

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Full Name (as on passport):

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Nationality:

Countries visited:

Permanent Residential Address: _____

Contact Tel. Nos. (With Country Code):

Mobile No.:

Email address:

Passport No & validity:

Sex (tick): Male Female **Marital status (tick):** Married Single

Languages spoken:

How good is your spoken English (tick): Excellent Good Unable to speak

How good is your written English (tick): Excellent Good Unable to write

Educational background (chronologically backward; start from last course studied)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Work Experience (please write your most recent work first)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Any Experience of Voluntary/Social Work (give details of nature of work/organization, etc.)

Hobbies

Do you sing or play any musical instruments? (Give some details)

Write a paragraph describing yourself as a person, including your aim in life.

How and when did you hear of Asia Plateau?

What are your experiences of CHANGE in your life?

What do you expect to learn at Asia Plateau?

Details of health(Travel) insurance:

Describe any major illnesses you have undergone and any current medication you are required to take.

Name, profession, address, phone Nos. and email IDs of two reference persons who know you well (and preferably who are connected with lofC in some way):

1.

2.

Signature:

Date of application:

Please await confirmation of acceptance of your application.

A telephonic interview may be necessary prior to final selection.

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