

Travel to this wonderful Island country of Fiji, embrace the beautiful beaches and warm people full of love and hospitality!

These tropical islands are home to some of the happiest people on Earth. The unique blend of culture and nature can be seen throughout Fiji and in virtually every aspect of your stay - from the food, festivals, rituals and the arts.

Culture

Learning

Leisure

Community Engagement

Physical Demand

Program Description

The best way to embrace Fiji is in Sigatoka, where you will get familiar with the culture and people of Fiji. During this week we will explain the do's and don'ts regarding safety and transport.

Various crafts give Fiji a unique identity that along with traditional etiquette and local architecture tells a story of culture and its evolution over time. You will be invited to join a kava ceremony during your stay. After the formalities, this is a wonderful way to make new friends and learn a little more about their countries. Dig a little deeper and see what you can discover! Visit the Fijian markets, attend a weaving class, learn Fijian language and cooking and get to know about your projects. The week consists of three days of activities to introduce you to the Fijian culture and surroundings and also for you to interact with the fellow participants. During the last two days of the week, you will be visiting your project and commence your work.

Program Duration & Availability

Min duration (weeks): 1
Max duration (weeks): 1

Aims & Objectives

Introduce you to Fiji's diverse geographical and cultural environment by fostering a deeper understanding of cultural similarities and differences through experiential learning in Fiji and to help you develop awareness and deeper understanding of culture.

Schedule

Monday to Friday

Highlights:

- Introduction regarding the culture and people of Fiji
- Sessions on safety, transport and do's and don'ts
- Sigatoka town and the village
- Attend a weaving class
- Attend a class to learn Fijian language and Fijian cooking
- Experience a traditional Fijian welcome ceremony called "Kava Ceremony."
- Make friends around the world! take part in our cultural exchange session where you share your culture with the fellow participants
- Visit your project placement sites and get to know the projects you will be working upon

This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.

Starting Dates

During 2019

This program starts every week.

During 2020

This program starts every week.

Participant Criteria & Requirements

Minimum age: 18
Maximum age: -

Minimum English level: Basic

CRB required: On Signup **Passport copy required:** On Signup

Resume copy required: No **Required qualification:** None

Additional Requirements

Participants above 16 and below 18 are required to present a parental consent letter and participants below 16 are required to be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Additional Equipment

- Personal Medicines
- Hat
- Small padlock to secure valuables
- Tidy clean clothes for formal occasions