The Council of International Fellowship
CIF Finland

CIF Finland IPEP May 1 - 25, 2020

Council of International Fellowship in Finland is registered 1964 as a Non-Governmental Organization. It has organized international professional exchange program (IPEP) since 1986. Our programs’ general goal is to promote professional, cultural and educational exchange for social workers and professionals working in human services. The program in Finland combines theoretical training and visits to agencies. Another important goal is the cross-cultural exchange as the participants come from different countries.

Introduction and orientation
The CIF Finland program begins on Friday, May 1st with weekend meeting in hostel type settings where the participants go through the coming three weeks program and the principles of CIF, meet CIF Finland members as well and get to know each other by individual presentations of their background. On Sunday late afternoon participants will move to their first host family in greater Helsinki area to experience everyday life in the country.

The program is a combination of lectures, field visits to governmental and NGO’s and cultural events to learn more about Finnish social work, politics and culture. The lectures take place in Swedish School of Social Science, University of Helsinki.

Fieldwork
The fieldwork consists of individual about a week’s placement according participants own wishes in some other town in Finland ex. Turku, Tampere, Tammisaari, Oulu, Hamina, Rovaniemi and second host family.

Due the language barrier there is no possibility for actual work with clients but follow the colleagues’ work and visits to agencies. After the field placements participants are reunited for the evaluation in the group and for the last week’s ‘Urban social work’ visits and living in the third host family.

The CIF Finland program ends on Monday May 25th after the farewell party on Sunday.

Finances
There is no registration fee for CIF Finland PEP. Domestic travel related to the program is paid by CIF Finland. The voluntary host families offer the room and board during the program.

The participants are responsible for their international travel and medical insurance.
Application process

The deadline for applications is **Dec 1st, 2019**

The application form can be uploaded from [CIF International web site](http://www.cifinternational.com).

Send your application to us through your [National Branch](http://www.cifinternational.com) / [the Contact Person](http://www.cifinternational.com) in your country with their recommendation letter.

From countries without a NB or CP you can send the application form directly to CIF Finland.

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