

CIF EXCHANGE PROGRAMS*

Country	Length	Dates
Aotearoa/ New Zealand	3 weeks	October
Argentina	4 weeks	October
Australia	3 weeks	September
Austria + Czech Republic	3 weeks	April–May
Finland	4 weeks	April–May
France	2 weeks	May–June
Germany	3 weeks	September– November
Greece	2,5 weeks	May
India	4 weeks	November– December
Israel	3 weeks	April–May
Italy + Slovenia	3 weeks +1 week	September– October
Kenya	4 weeks	June–July
Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia	4 weeks	May–June
Netherlands	2 weeks	March–April
Norway	4 weeks	April–May
Scotland (UK)	4 weeks	May–June
Sweden	5 weeks	April–May
Switzerland	4 weeks	April–May
Tanzania	4 weeks	May–June
Turkey	4 weeks	April–May

CIPUSA	3 weeks up to 1-18 months August- December or January -May
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* Programs are subject to change from year to year

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**Welcome
to
CIF
the Council
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International Fellowship!**

Have you ever wondered what it is like to work in the different fields of social work, special education, youth work or any other related profession in another country, to live with host families and to meet colleagues from different parts of the world?

In that case: apply for one of the CIF/CIPUSA programs in different parts of the world! Or join the program in your own country as a host family or as a part of the professional exchange by having an exchange program participant at your work place.

The basic philosophy of CIF is that exchange programs contribute towards mutual understanding and peace between people from different cultures – something we need more than ever in today's world.

CIF organizes exchange programs in the fields of social work, special education, youth work and in related professions. The programs offer a unique opportunity for learning and sharing in an international context.

CIF is an international organization with branches in many countries. Its history goes back to 1956 when a group of German youth workers participated in the first Cleveland International Program (CIP) in USA. In the first years following World War II there were mutual misunderstandings on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. It was envisaged that an exchange of working experiences could bridge the gap. The first program was such a success that it was decided to continue.

In 1960 former participants founded CIF International and initiated exchange programs in their own countries. The program is organized entirely by trained professionals on a voluntary basis. They are mostly former participants in the CIF/CIPUSA programs and supporters of CIF/CIPUSA. The program structure is essentially similar in all countries. It consists of a theoretical introduction and orientation, fieldwork experience or agency visits, host family living and cultural exchange. The duration of the programs varies from 2,5 – 5 weeks. In the USA CIPUSA organizes programmes of 3 weeks to 18 months. Some countries charge a fee for the program.

To be qualified for participation in a CIF program you must have at least three years of professional experience and understand and speak English. In some countries some degree of fluency in the local language is needed as well.

Further information about the organization, activities and programs can be found on the CIF web page:

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