

Erasmus Student Work Placement

| EMPLOYER INFORMATION | |
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| Name of employer or organisation | Galway Steiner Kindergarten |
| Address | Na Blátha Craige, Upper Clybaun Road, Knocknacarra, Galway city, Ireland |
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| Website | http://galwaysteiner.wordpress.com https://www.facebook.com/GalwaySteinerKindergarten |
| Number of employees | 3 |
| Short description of the company | <p>We are a new and thriving Steiner Waldorf Early years setting located in the West of Ireland (Galway city). We currently run a Kindergarten for 18 children aged between 2.5 and 6 as well as a parent and toddler group.</p> <p>We're a non-profit organization and an equal opportunity employer. We are fully regulated and compliant with Irish standards and qualifications for Kindergartens.</p> |
| Other | <p>Our Kindergarten has had a very successful experience with hosting foreign Erasmus students for the entire duration of the school year.</p> <p>For the academic year 2014-2015, we are looking for a trainee who is familiar with or has an interest in Steiner Waldorf education. An appreciation of music, enjoying handwork (especially wool work) and an interest in outdoors would be desirable.</p> <p>Police clearance from the sending country is essential for this internship.</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">Closing deadline for applications: 06/07/2014</p> |

CONTACT DETAILS

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| placement | |
| Department and designation / job title | Kindergarten assistant volunteer |
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| PLACEMENT INFORMATION | |
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| Department / Function | Kindergarten trainee to assist Lead teacher and Assistant teacher in their work. |
| Description of activities | <p><u>Knowledge, skills and competences to be acquired:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To get familiar with the Waldorf Steiner Early Childhood Education teaching method. - To learn how to prepare and plan the Kindergarten rhythm of the day and to celebrate festivals and seasons. - To learn how to create a nurturing environment for children aged between 2.5 and 6. - To learn how to resolve conflict between children, record observations, keep records. - To learn how to report issues to senior members of staff. - To learn how to liaise with parents / carers and to keep information confidential. <p><u>Tasks of the trainee:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To support the Kindergarten teachers in their work, and to help maintain the Kindergarten environment. - To help attending to the needs of the children, and |

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| | <p>to maintain the rhythm of the Kindergarten.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To help with the daily preparation of room materials and activities, and help preparing the morning snack. - To help looking after children during outside play and when out on walks. - To help cleaning, mending and making crafts, and to help maintain areas used in the Kindergarten, which include the main playrooms, toilets, kitchen and outdoor area. - To attend kindergarten and teachers' meetings, parents' meetings and festivals, where possible. Some evenings and weekend days included. - To be responsible, actively engaged and enthusiastic. - To at all times cooperate and work with the kindergarten management. <p>During the internship period the student will be monitored and supervised by senior members of staff. Daily/weekly evaluations/reviews will take place in the presence of teachers/mentors/management members.</p> |
| Location | Galway city, Ireland. |
| Duration | Possibly 10 months (Sept to June) We might consider shorter placements. |
| Working hours per week | 22.5 per week |
| Accommodation (please select) | <input type="checkbox"/> Accommodation will be provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>We can assist with finding accommodation</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Student to make own arrangements |
| Details of financial and "in kind" support to be provided | Reasonable daily travel expenses to and from the Kindergarten may be reimbursed. |
| Other information | An organic snack is provided every morning to the children and this is shared with the staff. |

COMPETENCES, SKILLS, EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT, LEVEL OF EDUCATION

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| Languages and level of competence required | The candidate will need to be sufficiently fluent in reading/speaking/writing English. |
| Computer skills and level of skills required | Not necessary for the job. |
| Level of education | Undergraduate or higher |
| Other | The candidate should either have an appreciation or an interest in Steiner Waldorf education. |