Project 1: ESC Volunteers in Peräpohjolan Opisto in Lapland

Period of volunteering: February - July/August 2019

Number of volunteers: 2

How to apply: Application forms + CVs (motivation letter optional) by email to hakemukset@alli.fi by 26.11.18.

Peräpohjolan Opisto is a seasoned, independent folk high school which was founded already in 1901. It locates in a traditional, scenic landscape of Tornio Kiviranta by the famous free flowing Tornio River. Close proximity to the Swedish border offers wide range of cultural opportunities to our students. Peräpohjolan Opisto provides education, vocational training and additional training in the fields of education and guidance sector. You can study a profession, complete basic education or just individual courses.

Our personnel consist of 20 people and 3 of them will be working with the ESC volunteer. Currently we have approximately 250 to 280 students, most of them are young adults. Peräpohjolan Opisto also has a substance- and smoke-free student dormitory which accommodates up to 32 persons. Volunteers will be accommodated at the student dormitory in 1-2 persons per room. Meals are served at school canteen so different diets can be taken into consideration.

We hope that our volunteers could organize activities and instruct our students living in a dormitory. S/he could also work with education export by building a network to her/his own home country. Our volunteers are also welcome to participate in Finnish language and culture education. The position is suitable for any young person aged 18-30 with fluent English skills, hence the common working language will be English.

Of course, we are also open for discussion to the volunteer´s own ideas of her/his work. We wish our volunteer is a sociable and has a positive attitude. The volunteer should also be tolerant and has an ability to work with different cultures. We would like to have a short interview with the possible volunteers, so Skype address would be highly appreciated. School website http://www.ppopisto.fi