



CAMP COUNSELORS RUSSIA

INTERNATIONAL WORKING ADVENTURES

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CCUSA

CCUSA Offers an Extensive Range of Programs

Summer Camp Programs

USA, Canada, Russia and Croatia.

Work Programs

USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

Volunteer Programs

South Africa, Namibia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Honduras, Peru, Cambodia, China, India, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam.

Visit www.ccusa.com to find out what programs are offered in your country.

The CCUSA Reputation

Since 1986 CCUSA has assisted over 220,000 people from more than 60 nations to experience work and travel adventures overseas. CCUSA offers you the best work and travel programs in the industry, along with unrivalled customer service. CCUSA is passionately committed to your success!

What are you waiting for?

Come and be "More Than Just a Tourist" with CCUSA.

CCUSA Website

Everything you need is only a mouse click away!

Visit our interactive website at www.ccusa.com to:

- ✓ Read more about all CCUSA programs;
- ✓ Watch videos of our programs and hear from our camps, employers and past participants;
- ✓ Locate the next local information meeting;
- ✓ Get up-to-date news about CCUSA and our annual Job Fairs (if held in your country);
- ✓ Have your questions answered on our FAQ page;
- ✓ Apply online.

Free Information Meetings

The best way to learn and understand what it is like to Travel, Live and Work or Volunteer overseas is by attending one of our exciting free information meetings. These are held in various locations throughout the country. These fun and informative sessions give you the opportunity to speak to CCUSA in person, participate in a discussion with our staff and hear the stories of former participants as they relate their experiences working, playing and travelling around the USA. You will also be able to view our great videos designed to help give you a better visual understanding of each of our programs.

Our goal at these meetings is to give you an honest and straightforward view of what CCUSA and our Work and Volunteer programs are all about so that you can decide whether our program is right for you.

All meetings and events that CCUSA will be hosting during the year will be posted on the CCUSA website: www.ccusa.com under "Local Information" – Information Meetings.

Personal Support Website

Once you are on one of our programs, you will be able to access "Footprints"*, your online Personal Support Website, where you can:

- ✓ Update information on your application;
- ✓ Review placement information and other participants placed through CCUSA at the same camp or employer;
- ✓ Receive notifications and updates;
- ✓ Learn specific details about the next steps on the program you have selected;
- ✓ Pay fees;
- ✓ Access Travel and Participant Handbooks;
- ✓ Do much, much more!

*Available to specific programs once you are accepted to CCUSA.

Simple Application Process

- Step 1: Visit <http://applications.ccusa.com> to complete your application form online (some programs will require you to download an application packet).
- Step 2: Pay the application fee online.
- Step 3: Easily download versions of all required forms.
- Step 4: Arrange a personal interview.

If you are unable to apply or pay online, please contact your local CCUSA office for assistance.

<http://applications.ccusa.com>

Make sure you check out www.ccusa.com to find out what other countries you can work or volunteer in through your local CCUSA office.





Work With the Future of Russia

Every summer thousands of children head off for camps across Russia, from the shores of Lake Baikal to the beaches of the Black Sea. Each camp has its own philosophy, but all provide children a place to relax while having fun in an outdoor setting.

In many ways, these camps resemble those in the United States and Canada as they are usually located in a rural setting, often by a lake or river, away from the nearest town and typically, with a large dining hall, crafts, sports buildings and dormitories. Children usually come for sessions lasting 10 to 28 days and participate in activities such as swimming, boating, canoeing, theatre, land sports, arts, crafts, dance, and performing arts.



For more info and to apply visit www.ccusa.com



CCUSA Offers Tremendous Value:

- ✓ A confirmed placement prior to heading to Moscow! The past 17 years CCUSA has placed 100% of accepted applicants.
- ✓ A one-on-one placement service. We make every effort to place you at a camp that fits your personality, interests and skills. You have the CCUSA reputation, support and seal of approval behind you!
- ✓ A straightforward and affordable program
- ✓ A wage – Earn the same pocket money at camp as your fellow Russian Counselors, 1000 Rubles per month.
- ✓ Accommodation and 3 meals a day at camp included at no additional cost.
- ✓ Return international flight from London to Moscow is included in the program price.
- ✓ An easy application process and informal one on one question and answer interview.
- ✓ Arrival Orientation in Moscow includes personal meet and transfer from Moscow airport, 2 to 3 nights accommodation, welcome banquet, theatre show, ballet or circus visit, Red Square, Lenin's tomb, shopping and preparation for camp sessions,.
- ✓ CCUSA in conjunction with our Moscow partner will assist you with obtaining your visa.
- ✓ CCUSA and our Moscow partner are here to help you every step of the way; whether it be prior to leaving or once in Russia. We have all experienced working and travelling overseas.
- ✓ Four or eight week program options, starting on June 11th (4 or 8 weeks) or July 9th (4 weeks only) until mid August.
- ✓ Local CCUSA office, giving you the local service you need.
- ✓ Free Information Meetings held in cities near you. Through videos and discussions with our staff and past participants you will discover what working, playing at camp is really like and have all your questions answered about the program.
- ✓ International Staff Handbook, full of practical information, games and tips to ease you into camp life.
- ✓ Travel after camp until September 1st. Explore the sights and sounds of Russia.
- ✓ Travel insurance which includes 4 or 8 weeks accident, sickness, baggage and medical evacuation coverage at no additional cost. You can extend your insurance through your local CCUSA office up to 18 months.
- ✓ Emergency Assistance hotline while in Russia
- ✓ Valuable life-long skills, independence, confidence and maturity that will broaden your horizons and your future career.
- ✓ Work with a friend. We can arrange your camp placement in the same camp, or one nearby. If you are travelling alone, we always place at least two international staff members at each camp.
- ✓ The opportunity to meet people from different countries and make friends to last a lifetime. Do it now, while you still can!

"I decided to go to Russia because it was something really different and I'm so glad I did. CCUSA were great- I worked in an amazing camp and made so many friends, I learnt so much more about myself than I ever thought I would and I can even speak some Russian now! Working in Russia gave me so much confidence and it definitely impressed my current employer."

James

Apply Today if You:

- ✓ Genuinely like children and have some experience working with them?
- ✓ Will be at least 18 years of age by June 1st?
- ✓ Speak or have a desire to learn Russian?
- ✓ Are outgoing and happy with a great sense of humour?
- ✓ Are conscientious, cooperative, and hardworking?
- ✓ Adapt well to new situations?
- ✓ Are patient and flexible?

If you meet the above requirements and are ready for a once in a lifetime experience then CCUSA's Camp Counselors Russia program is for you!

Visit www.ccusa.com to apply. After we receive your application, we will contact you to schedule an interview.

Your Role as a Camp Counselor

As a leader, role model, friend, instructor, big brother or sister, cheerleader and hero to campers ages 7 - 16, your primary responsibility is overall supervision. You are there to ensure their well-being and safety, and to make their camp experience more fun and rewarding. As a Counselor, you will be with campers 24 hours a day. Counselors make sure the campers eat meals, attend and participate in day and evening activities, clean cabins, and even get to sleep at night.

During the day

Most Russian camps place their most important emphasis on the children having fun, and getting exercise and stimulation during the daytime – and your primary role is to facilitate this. Your exact position and duties at camp will depend largely upon the level of your Russian speaking ability. It is NOT essential that you speak Russian to participate in the programme, however if you are able to speak some of the language you will find that the daily opportunities for integrating into camp life are greater. You may well help with the planning and leading of day-to-day activities, whether they are sports, arts or water based. For those with little or no Russian language ability – your role will be more of an assisting role, and where you might help with specific sports or activities, depending on your own level of experience and expertise. You will not be in sole control of leading these if you do not have the appropriate language expertise e. There are some camps which offer language programmes to their campers; you may be asked to help with lessons and with encouraging the children to practice their English language conversational abilities. The most important thing to remember is that life at a Russian camp is fun – and that ensuring the Campers make the most of their day is your main goal.

Accommodation

Each camp is different; however, most counselors will be living in a cabin, platform tent or dormitory style accommodation with a co-counselor and 8 to 10 campers of similar age. Sometimes cabins have their own bathroom, but it is also common for several cabins to share a large centralized bath and shower facility. Accommodation is separated by gender and usually by age, so that similar age groups are kept together.

Food

Be prepared for some of the most delicious food you'll ever taste, but don't expect it to taste like home. The Russian camp diet is varied and plentiful, however – culturally they have little experience of vegetarian or other special diets. If you follow this choice of eating be prepared for repetitive meals. Staff and campers eat together, often in a dining hall or other allocated room. Food is generally served either "family style" – with platters of meat, fish, vegetables and bread brought to the table or Canteen style – where everyone helps themselves from a serving hatch. Camps always provide 3 meals a day for their staff and campers, and snacks are available between meals.

A Typical Day

Though camp is definitely a lot of fun, it's not a holiday for staff. Except for your time off, you'll spend 24 hours a day with an active group of children. Total working hours may be more than a typical day's work at most other jobs. You must adapt to the lack of privacy and to the basic level of accommodation. You will be expected to follow strict camp rules for campers and staff: no smoking, no drinking of alcoholic beverages and a nightly curfew. All in all, the joy of summer camp more than offsets the hard work. A cheerful, hardworking attitude is a must!

Here's an example of a typical day as a camp counselor at a Russian Summer Camp.

- 7:30 Reveille (Wake up, get dressed, maybe a swim)
- 8:00 Morning Exercises
- 8:30 Shower and clean room
- 9:00 Traditional practices (flag raising, breakfast)
- 10:00 Activity period (indoor activities, music hour)
- 11:00 Activity period (swimming, sports)
- 13:00 Lunch
- 13:30 Rest hour (sleep, write letters, quiet activities in cabins)
- 16:00 Light meal or snack
- 17:00 Swimming, group activities
- 19:00 Dinner
- 19:30 Evening activity (disco, films, concert, dancing)
- 22:00 Bedtime





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