



WORK EXPERIENCE USA & WORKING HOLIDAY USA

INTERNATIONAL WORKING ADVENTURES

BE MORE THAN JUST A TOURIST



CCUSA



Experience the Real America

You have seen the USA through TV, Movies, the Internet, and if lucky maybe on a short holiday. Now here is your chance to really live and experience the USA by working in almost any job during your summer holidays or up to 12 months on the Working Holiday USA program. You will also gain much needed work experience, travel and see the world before the real world catches up with you!

Work Experience USA: You can only do this program while you are a full-time University, TAFE or college student, or just graduated.

Working Holiday USA: You can only do this program if you have completed your first year of full-time study at University, College or TAFE then either have deferred study or have graduated within 12 months of arriving into the USA (based on last exams).

So reward yourself and take a break from your studies or before you enter the workforce.

Since 1996 over 60,000 students have taken off during their University summer holidays to work in the USA. Over 80% landed seasonal jobs in American Ski Resorts (the remainder in various jobs across the USA).

Application Time Frame

The Work Experience USA program accepts applications from March until October. There isn't a limit on the visas available or the number of times you can participate on this program (so long as you keep meeting the criteria).

The Working Holiday USA program accepts applications year round. There is a limit on the number of visa's and you can only do this program once.

Remember, jobs in the USA are given on a first come first served basis, so we do not recommend you wait till the last minute.



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



CCUSA Offers Tremendous Value:

- ✓ A simple application process and informal one on one question and answer interview.
- ✓ A straightforward and affordable program
- ✓ Access to great flight prices through our preferred travel agent STA Travel.
- ✓ Access to CCUSA's Employer Hiring Sessions / Job Fairs (where offered) with US Employers coming to your home country who will interview you face to face or CCUSA will set up phone/Skype webcam interview sessions with Employers who are in the USA.
- ✓ Access to the CCUSA Exclusive Job Hunt website and resort guide. You can search for one, two or multiple jobs for your adventure. Many of our employers offer great benefits such as Season Ski Passes and more. For a salary based on a 40 hour week you could earn US\$800 – US\$1200 per month. Hourly wages will vary greatly depending on the employer and location.
- ✓ An extensive range of jobs through our Independent, Employer Hiring Session/Job fairs and Placement Programs. (Note: Placement is only for Work Experience USA)
- ✓ Experience and Reputation with many US employers. We have been assisting them with their staffing needs for over 16 years. You have the CCUSA reputation, support and seal of approval behind you!
- ✓ CCUSA On Line International Staff Handbook – full of practical information, and the online Travel-Wise Guide – with great advice on travel tips, places to see, where to stay and how to explore the USA after your employment.
- ✓ Full-time offices in Australia and over 100 local area representatives, give you the local service you need.
- ✓ Free Information Meetings held in cities and universities near you. Through videos and discussions with our staff and past participants, you will discover what working, playing and travelling around the USA is really like and have all your questions about the program answered. If you can't make a Information Meeting CCUSA has posted online information meetings for you to view at your own leisure through our website.
- ✓ Mandatory Pre-Departure Orientation with CCUSA staff and former participants helping you prepare for your adventure, including what you will need for your departure and adjusting to US culture and work life. We will also review The US tax system and the Social Security application so you will be ready to apply once in the USA.
- ✓ Multiple Program options: Independent (find your own job), Employer Hiring Sessions/ Job Fair, (if offered in your country) or Placement Option (CCUSA finds a job for you through our placement process – available only to Work Experience USA participants.).
- ✓ One company from Start to Finish – you are with CCUSA at home and abroad!
- ✓ Support and advice every step of the way from experienced and friendly staff in our full-time offices and through our nationwide representatives as well as your online Personal Support Website – "Footprints".
- ✓ Tax Service to assist you with applying for tax refunds.
- ✓ The opportunity to meet people from different countries and make friends to last a lifetime. Do it now, while you still can!
- ✓ Travel insurance for the entire duration of your visa that exceeds US government regulations (includes accident, sickness and medical evacuation coverage). You can extend or upgrade your insurance through your local CCUSA office.
- ✓ Time to travel in the USA after your job. Your visa includes a thirty day grace period allowing you to see all the US has to offer!
- ✓ Twenty four hour emergency assistance hotline once in the USA.
- ✓ US mobile phones and SIM cards at exclusive CCUSA discounted prices.
- ✓ Valuable life-long skills, independence, confidence and maturity that will broaden your horizons and your future career.
- ✓ Visa Sponsorship and DS2019 Visa Documentation to apply for the J-1 Work / Travel Exchange Visitor Visa plus assistance with visa processing and interviewing in your home country. CCUSA has an excellent reputation with the US Consulate to help you process your visa. You can work legally in the USA in almost any position you wish for the length of your summer holidays from university (maximum four months).

"This amazing experience will remain with me forever."

Steve



Apply Today if You:

- ✓ Are a citizen of the country you are applying in.
- ✓ Are 18 to 29 years old.
- ✓ **Work Experience USA:** Have completed your first year of full-time study at University, College or TAFE then either be continuing with study or graduating at the end of the year you wish to go.
- ✓ **Working Holidays USA:** Have completed your first year of full-time study at University, College or TAFE then either be deferring study or graduated within 12 months of arriving into the USA (based on last exams).

If you meet the above requirements and are ready for a change then CCUSA's Work Adventures USA Program is for you – Check out Work Experience USA or Working Holiday USA at www.ccusa.com.au for more details, and apply today!

Three Program Options

1. INDEPENDENT OPTION: YOU FIND YOUR OWN JOB

You must have a designated visa sponsor for the Work Experience USA and Working Holiday USA programs, and our Independent Option is perfect for those of you who simply need a sponsor. This package does not include job placement, giving you total freedom and flexibility to find a job anywhere in the USA either before you leave or once you are in the USA. How you find your job is up to you but CCUSA is there to support you along the way

CCUSA Interactive Independent Job Search Website

Once you become a CCUSA participant, you will have access to the CCUSA Interactive Independent Job Search website. This website allows you to create your own Employment Profile, including your Resume/CV and photos that show your personality, interests and experience. Using the Employer search tools, you will be able to search for employment and employers by location or by company type, and review detailed information on the employer of your interest and the positions they have available. Then you simply choose which employers to send your Profile to so you can be considered for that job. If you are offered the job, you and your prospective employer will be able to communicate through the CCUSA Job Hunt site and arrange to have the Independent Job Offer forms completed. CCUSA will monitor all activity on the site to insure communication is timely and appropriate.

This invaluable website provides everything you need to make your job search and work & travel experience more efficient and rewarding:

- Create a profile highlighting your skills and personality.
- How to search for a job.
- Many job listings, including salary, benefits, and accommodation options.
- Contact details of employers including e-mail addresses and websites.
- Hints on how to find accommodation when not provided by the employer.
- Advice about travelling around the USA.
- Hints on how to better understand American culture and its people.

If you want to wait until you get to the USA and then meet your employer face to face before accepting a job, you will need to talk to your local country office to find out the requirements as this option has only limited availability and requires additional personal funds.

Additional Tools To Help You Find A Job

- CCUSA Resort Guide: Visit www.ccusa.com.au to access the CCUSA Resort Guide. This will give you basic information and links to resorts in the USA. Start your search while you sign up to the program
- Research jobs in relation to your field of study, find the company and CCUSA can arrange your visa.
- Your friends, family, contacts or your own research. Talk to people you know or people that have done the program before and line up your own job either before you leave or once you arrive in the USA.

Once you have your job (either before you leave or once you arrive) complete the Independent Job Offer Form which confirms in writing your salary, benefits and job conditions. CCUSA will verify the job and confirm for you that the wage conditions are consistent with the US Government requirements.

2. PLACEMENT OPTION: WE FIND YOU A JOB

(Only available on the Work Experience USA program)

Relax and let us do all the legwork by providing you with a job opportunity from one of our selected employers before you depart for the USA! Our Placement Option provides all the services of the Independent Option, plus a whole lot more.

This choice is perfect for those who lack the time to do the Job search and want the peace of mind of a pre-arranged Job. For a little extra cost, CCUSA will save you time and money in the long run by doing all the work for you.

Preferred Job Placement

Our Preferred Placement option allows you to review and select specific employers and jobs (based on your skills) from our Online Job and Employer list. This list contains details about the positions available at each active Placement Employer, including wages and whether or not housing is available.

Once you have chosen a set number of employer/job position combinations you then need to fully complete your CCUSA application form, pay your fee and have your interview. CCUSA will submit your application and employer/job requests to our head office to start the placement process. You will be competing against other students directly for these positions so you will need to apply early and have all your documentation ready to go at your interview.

Personal Interview

CCUSA will interview you on behalf of the U.S. employers. Once you apply to CCUSA, we will arrange a one on one interview with you. CCUSA will get to know you through your application form and this interview where we will evaluate your experience, knowledge and English level. We will also help you decide which placement option is for you.

Job Offer Form

Once we secure your job, we send you detailed information about the company, the job and the area where you will live as well as travel details.

3. EMPLOYER HIRING SESSIONS / JOB FAIR: INTERVIEW WITH A US EMPLOYER

CCUSA may bring U.S. Ski Resorts and other possible Employers to Australia to interview and hire participants or may set up phone or Skype / webcam interviews. In either of these cases, employers will be signing or offering Job Offers on the spot. Traditionally, these are seasonal employers who are looking for staff for 3 – 4 months but may offer jobs for those that might be available to work for up to 12 months.

We strongly suggest you attend these possible events to assist you with your job search. This is the best and easiest way to secure a job before going to the USA. There will be a variety of jobs on offer.

All participants will receive more related details as soon as they become available including confirmation, employers, dates and times. These events are normally held in and around August. Please make sure to check your "Footprints" account and the CCUSA website regularly for more details.

Past CCUSA participants have been hired at hotels or ski resorts such as Heavenly, Northstar at Tahoe, Squaw Valley and Kirkwood in California; Aspen, Telluride and Vail in Colorado, and many others. (Check out www.ccusa.com.au for more details and a listing of employers offering this option and a list of all past employers at which CCUSA participants have worked).

Note: You can only book an Employer Interview slot for the Job Fair / Employer Hiring Session once you have been accepted onto the program. Please refer to the program agreement for terms and conditions on this program option.

"It was so much fun working on the snow with people from all over the world. I had so much fun I'm going back again this year!"

Rosie

Types of Jobs and Employers



Through our Independent and Placement programs, CCUSA works with over 500 employers with a variety of positions that need to be filled during the summer. You will be competing against not only students from your country but also students from around the world and Americans who are applying for these positions. CCUSA urges you to apply early so you can have access to the widest range of jobs and employers.

Types of Employer that CCUSA works with:

- Amusement Parks
- Bars
- Casinos
- Country Clubs
- Hotels/Inns
- Resorts
- Restaurants
- Retail
- Mountain Resorts
- Ski Resorts
- Various employers in Ski Areas
- And many more

Refer to www.ccusa.com.au for a detailed list of employers and types of jobs you can do on the Work Experience USA program.



Returning to the USA

Let CCUSA help you get there!

For the Work Experience USA program there are no restrictions to the number of times that you can participate so long as you are eligible for the program and in good standing with CCUSA. We can accommodate anyone and everyone's return to their employer or to a new employer on the J-1 Work and Travel Visa, even if you have not used CCUSA before!

We know that you have been there before, but there are still a few things you need from your visa sponsor and CCUSA offers the best overall "Returnee" package and process!

- If you have been with CCUSA before, just log in with the same details and update your previous application form.
- If it is your first time with CCUSA then go to www.footprints.ccusa.com and follow the prompts to complete the Work Experience USA application forms.

Once you have done either of the above options, pay your Returnee fee, and send us your signed program agreement and photo and we will contact you with your next steps.

Already been on the Work Experience USA program? Why not consider the Working Holiday USA program!

You have been to the USA for a few months, now why not go for up to a year! Defer your studies or if you are graduating then this program is perfect for you. Check it out.



Time to Travel After Work

The last day of your employment is also the start of a new adventure as you are able to travel around the USA! You have 30 days of travel time to explore the US after your job assignment finishes. The friends you have made at work will become your travel companions and the CCUSA Travel Handbook your guide!

Past participants recommend these "don't miss" destinations:

- Boston – the home of the American Revolution has lots to offer with great food, shopping and clubs.
- New York City – the Big Apple has it all – the Empire State Building, Broadway, Central Park, Statue of Liberty and much, much more!
- Miami Beach – the beaches, the clubs, the Latin music.
- Grand Canyon National Park – AMAZING!! Not to be missed.
- Las Vegas – need we say any more!
- San Francisco – leave your heart behind in the City by the Bay as you walk across the Golden Gate Bridge, or hang out in China Town.
 - Los Angeles – Hollywood, Universal Studios, Venice Beach, Santa Monica – this says it all.
 - PLUS everything in between.





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