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Buckner's Project Go! Guatemala

Dates:

Orientation: May 20-21

Cost:

\$2,500-3,000 + airfare

Location:

Guatemala City

Session 1:

May 26-June 26

Team Size: 3-4 people

Session 2:

July 7-August 7

***Full summer session details available upon inquiry.*

***An actual cost (minus airfare) will be updated at the beginning of November.*

Trip Description- While in Guatemala, you will work alongside the Buckner Family Hope Center staff in the following areas:

1. Vacation Bible School
2. Social Work Home Visits
3. Short Term Mission Trip Assistance

Buckner has been caring for vulnerable children and families in Guatemala since 2002. A wide variety of services are offered to children and families. Guatemala will receive two to three short term mission trips while you are serving. You will work alongside the staff to work with these teams as they visit the Family Hope Centers and orphanages. You will help lead and administer Vacation Bible School with these teams but also on your own as a team. You will also work with Buckner's social workers as they visit their clients. You will be a part of the work they do with each family.

The Buckner staff will be with you every step of the way, providing an understanding of their city and programs along with guidance to aid your team in best catering to the needs of the people of the community. You will experience the life-changing hope of Jesus Christ from a new perspective as you are immersed in a friendly, welcoming, affectionate community of people.

Your time in Guatemala will show you the importance of humbling yourself daily to the Lord's plan as he creates for you a new adventure each day. As you fully invest your heart and time in the ministries at hand the Lord provides meaningful lessons and an abundance of blessings as you act as his hands and feet.



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Specifically in Guatemala, you will enjoy this experience if you enjoy leading recreation or Bible stories, social work, and interacting with children and teens. You will spend your time working with both orphans and community children.

Join Buckner International in their *134+ year* movement of transforming lives through hands-on ministry by serving the most vulnerable through Project Go! this summer.

Requirements

- Participants must have completed at least their freshman year of college.
- Flexibility. Participants are encouraged to expect the unexpected and be flexible in serving in whatever areas are needed in various ministries.
- Innovation. Participants will take part in last minute planning and innovation as plans may change each day. When entering a new culture it is important to not compare it to your home, but to appreciate the way they live and adopt a new mindset that will allow you to best serve the people you meet.
- Self management. Demonstrate self-control and an ability to manage time and priorities. Make sound decisions even under pressure.
- Communication. Clearly express ideas, either verbally or in writing when working with your team and those of a differing culture.
- Willingness to Learn.
- Ethics & Integrity. Consistently earn the trust, respect, and confidence of your team and host culture through consistent honesty, forthrightness and professionalism in all interactions. Includes commitments and promises.
- A working knowledge of the Spanish language is strongly encouraged but not required.



Professional Development

By spending part of your summer in Guatemala you will enhance the following skills:

- Buckner International cross-cultural orientation and training prior to departure
- Multi-cultural international experience
- Exposure to the functions of a global non-profit organization by interacting with experts from various fields
- Hands on volunteer experience
- Foreign language immersion
- Teamwork
- Balancing and maintaining a budget
- Possible course credit

Buckner is one of the oldest and most unique faith-based social service organizations of its kind serving more than 450,000 people each year in the United States and 22 countries worldwide. **JOIN US!**

