

CIF ARGENTINA
INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGE
PROGRAM
September 7th to September 30th 2018



The goal of the Council of International Fellowship (CIF) is to promote professional, cultural and educational exchange for professionals working in the field of **Social Work/Human Services**.

The program combines practical and theoretical information about the social and cultural environment of Argentina and it is developed in Buenos Aires. Cross-cultural exchange is an important part of the program as participants come from different countries, thus providing opportunities for professional development, sharing and learning as well as broadening professional and personal horizons.

Application:

The applications need to go through the CIF National Branch or Contact Person in your country, using the international application form. Addresses can be found on the CIF International website: <http://www.cifinternational.com/organization>.

The international **application form** can be downloaded from the CIF International website: <http://www.cifinternational.com/programs>

Deadline for applications will be February 15th 2018.

Eligibility for participation:

Candidates should be professionally qualified and employed in social work related area, with a minimum of three year of professional experience.

Be fluent in Spanish.

Participants must have their own health insurance before arriving in the country. It must cover medical treatment, hospital stays and medication. The CIF argentine team cannot cover health expenses and does not take any responsibility in this regard.

Accomodation:

Participants stay with host families during the three weeks, at least two host families.

Host families provide room and meals, breakfast and dinner.

Living with host families is an important part of the program as it is a good way to know the argentine way of life. It is not supposed to be a “hotel” you’re welcome to share daily life activities with them.

Financial Conditions:

Participants are asked to contribute 400 euros as a contribution to cover all the expenses during the program. We support the accommodation in host families, the lunches and the domestic travel during the program.

They pay their own expenses from their country to Argentina and return, and the health insurance.

It doesn’t include any personal spending during the course of the program.

Number of participants:

4/6

Activities:

The program has **three stages**:

1- Introduction and orientation period – first week-

Participants are given a survey of historical developments, political and socioeconomic situation, cultural events and topics about social policies. Special emphasis is placed on an introduction to Argentine social work, social policies and welfare.

2- Fieldwork experience: - two weeks-

They visit agencies and institutions related to different areas of social work.

The visits are prepared according to participants' professional interests and field of expertise and during them they are advised by experienced qualified colleagues working at the institutions

This experience is one of observation and discussion with agency personnel rather than being able to work with clients.

3- Evaluation:

The last two days of the program are used for evaluation, the sharing of experiences and the farewell party.