

Summer Volunteer (x2)

Location

Part time in Cambridge, part time at Rose Castle in Cumbria

Dates

July 11- August 5th, 2022 (with some flexibility in the start and finish dates if needed)

Deadline

23:59, 23rd May 2022

About Rose Castle Foundation

The Rose Castle Foundation is a peacebuilding organisation specialising in the Abrahamic faiths, which equips tomorrow's leaders with the skills, tools, and habits needed to transform conflict. You can find out more about who we are on our website.

Outline of Role

This summer, the Rose Castle Foundation has an exciting variety of programmes and events. We would like to welcome two Summer Volunteers to be part of the Rose community and to support the delivery of two of our programmes by working closely with the Rose Castle Foundation team.

This is a brilliant opportunity to gain first-hand experience of peacebuilding work live in action. You will deepen your practical understanding of reconciliation and develop tangible skills in programme facilitation and coordination, as well as connecting with an international network of peacebuilding practitioners and emerging leaders.

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in peacebuilding and reconciliation, and who are keen to gain an insight into what this can practically look like in a faith context. We are particularly interested in applications from emerging leaders who would benefit from this experience as they begin their career in the field of reconciliation.

You will be fully trained and supported to deliver this voluntary role with the Rose Castle Foundation team.

Responsibilities include

- Supporting logistics on programmes:
 - Setting up workshop rooms
 - Preparing food/refreshments
 - Managing resources
- Pastoral support:
 - Supporting participant 'connect' home groups – smaller on-programme groups where participants can reflect and further explore learnings in safe, supportive space during a programme
- Learning opportunities:
 - Attending programmes to gain understanding of content. This will include multiple sessions on reconciliation, conflict transformation skills, and the role of faith in peacebuilding.
 - Learning sessions with each team member
- Assist RCF team as required on additional projects that may reasonably be requested based on applicant skillset and areas of interest.

Person Specification

- Emerging leader between the ages of 18 and 35 years old, starting out in a career in peacebuilding and reconciliation.
- Strong knowledge of at least one of the Abrahamic faiths, and willingness to learn about the others. Understanding the inter-relationship within and between Abrahamic faiths and appreciation of the role that those relationships have in conflict transformation.
- Willingness to learn, and passion for helping others learn.
- Sympathy and alignment with RCF values and approach.
- Ability to work effectively in close collaboration with the team and other volunteers.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Willingness to tackle challenging issues and topics and to put personal agendas aside.
- Strong organisational skills in time management and ability to prioritize well
- Attention to detail and always pursues excellence
- Culturally aware and appreciative of difference
- Strong service ethic and willingness to 'chip in'

Why might this role be good for you?

- Gain knowledge and skills of conflict transformation, and the role religion plays
- Opportunity to build relationships and be part of a vibrant team
- Gain skills in coordination, facilitation, networking and running events
- Gain experience in connecting with a diverse group of individuals and communities, nationally and internationally
- Opportunity to learn more about the work of the Rose Castle Foundation, its approaches to sustainable peacebuilding and reconciliation
- Spend time outdoors, in nature, and a flexible working environment at our Cumbria office
- Work on programmes delivering an innovative approach at the cutting edge of reconciliation

Benefits and commitments

- This voluntary role runs for four weeks, from July 11th to August 5th, 2022. There is flexibility within these dates, but we do hope our volunteers are willing to commit to the majority of the summer period.
- Accommodation will be provided for the duration of your volunteering in Cambridge, at Rose Castle, and in the Lake District. Travel costs to Rose Castle at the beginning of the opportunity, between locations during, and travel home afterwards will be covered for UK destinations. You will receive a stipend to cover food for the duration of your volunteering.

Application process

To apply please follow this link:

www.rosecastlefoundation.org/summer-volunteers

For any additional questions feel free to get in touch with Hannah Larn at Hannah.larn@rosecastle.foundation



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