



VOLUNTEER POSTING

ACTIVITY-BASED ENGLISH INSTRUCTORS

Immigrant Services

The Options Community Connections Program offers newcomers an opportunity to acquire and practice functional literacy in a safe environment as well as gain cultural understanding while making new friends. Activity-based English Instructors provide a fun and interesting weekly class through some sort of activity (i.e. crafts, cooking, music, low-level physical activities). They also instill a sense of belonging and help newcomers adjust to their new life in Canada. Improving English language skills is one of the most basic and important tools for successful integration. Contributing to newcomers' transitioning process through the Options Community Connections Program is an extremely rewarding experience.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Be able to commit to facilitating a literacy class for the period of 8-12 weeks & spend 1 to 3 sessions a week (2 hours per session) in classroom
- Honor all commitments made to students
- Be respectful of students' time, opinions, and decisions
- Serve as a positive role model by modeling desirable behaviors—e.g. patience, tolerance, and reflective listening
- Be comfortable and able to establish appropriate boundaries with students
- Be encouraging and supportive of students

QUALIFICATIONS

- Either have completed or is completing TESL certification an asset but not required
- Teaching experience is an asset
- Experience working with vulnerable newcomers is an asset
- Complete an application form, criminal record check, and provide 2 references
- Complete a short interview
- Attend volunteer orientation and possible training sessions
- Have passion and patience to help newcomers
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and leadership skills

PLEASE APPLY TO:

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Please include a cover letter clearly indicating the posting number [#V201411] and outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.