

Our mission: DukeEngage empowers students to address critical human needs through immersive service, in the process transforming students, advancing the University's educational mission, and providing meaningful assistance to communities in the U.S. and abroad.

Students participate in a vast range of civic engagement activities, including environmental advocacy, global health, education, human rights and more. Since 2007, students have:

- launched mentoring and school enrichment programs
- designed health education and outreach programs
- produced environmental education documentaries
- developed micro-finance opportunities for disadvantaged women and families
- supported data collection and analysis for an international NGO
- addressed poverty through a holistic approach to education, health and agriculture

DukeEngage welcomes the opportunity to work in close collaboration with organizations across the world—from local nonprofits to global NGOs and volunteer sending organizations. We consider our community partners to be our co-educators, helping students gain experience, build skill sets and learn about new cultures.

Since 2007, more than 3,600 Duke students have partnered with 600+ community partners in 76 nations and 35 U.S. cities on 6 continents.

If you are interested in developing a partnership with DukeEngage in your community, please contact us by email: dukeengage@duke.edu.

98% of DukeEngage partners say they would partner again

Community Partners commit to:

- working with the program director to design a suitable project that is useful to the community organization
- providing meaningful, ethical, clearly defined work that utilizes the student's skills 35-40 hours/week
- providing a letter in support of their volunteer's visa, if required
- providing ongoing supervision and feedback throughout the project
- helping the student adjust to living and working within the host community
- completing a survey at the end of the project to provide feedback to DukeEngage

DukeEngage participants are required to:

- work with their partner organization for eight weeks or more, contributing 35-40 work hours each week
- meet with their community partner supervisor regularly to evaluate progress toward goals
- respect the professional and cultural practices of their host organization and community

PLEASE NOTE – DukeEngage volunteers cannot:

- receive compensation for their work; participants receive stipends from DukeEngage to cover their living expenses
- provide medical care to patients or participate in proselytizing activities and religious instruction
- cross borders or travel during the summer project