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THAILAND

Exotic temples, thick green jungle, crystal clear blue water, ancient ruins and exotic cuisine are just some of the reasons why so many travellers visit the 'Golden Land.'

Your first encounter with Thai culture is usually with the bustling streets of Bangkok, a modern city with shiny shopping malls and a zippy sky train. All this is interwoven with devout Buddhist practices and breathtaking temples. To the north lies Thailand's second-largest city, Chiang Mai. As the country's bohemian centre, Chiang Mai and its outlying hill-tribe communities are rich in tradition and culture. In the south, discover crystal waters and white sands on paradise islands and shores.

Around 10% of the Thai people live in serious poverty with around 30% below the poverty line. Even so, Thailand is not as impoverished as many of its neighbouring countries. The main problem is the huge difference in income between the upper 30% and the rest, especially those living in rural areas, such as the exiled Burmese refugees and many indigenous Hill Tribes around Chiang Mai.

Life outside of the project

Your life outside the project will depend of which area you are staying. If you are volunteering on Koh Tao then there's plenty of opportunities for island hopping and diving/snorkelling in the crystal clear waters. Up in northern Thailand, your free time can be spent exploring the stunning countryside and visiting small local towns for a true Thai experience. Wherever you are in Thailand there's sure to be a few temples nearby for you to admire on your days off!



Weather

Average temperature: 32 - 20°C

Wet season: May - October

Dry season: November - May

Monsoon season: July - September

The wet season is characterised by sporadic downpours. These don't last all day, however, and there are still periods of sunshine. In the southern islands the wet season starts around a month later.

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LGBTQI+ NGO Development Internship in Thailand

Intern with an NGO in Chiang Mai that educates, promotes inclusion, and offers testing and counselling throughout the community.

Medical Internship at a District Hospital in Chiang Mai

Observe challenges and a range of illnesses facing local staff and communities. You'll shadow local medical professionals who will share their diagnosis, treatment and experiences with you.

NGO Development Internship in Chiang Mai

Become a part of office staff and support NGOs with fundraising, report writing, marketing and outreach, website development and social media presence.

Island Marine Conservation with Diving Certification in Thailand

Restore and preserve underwater habitats while being able to obtain your diving certification. While diving you will be responsible for identifying species, monitoring reefs, underwater clean-ups and reef restoration.



What are the benefits of Kaya Placements?

- International work experience
- Meaningful placements
- Global perspectives
- Cultural Immersion
- Structured and supported



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