



DRK-Schwesternschaft „Bonn“ e.V.

School is over, what next? The Voluntary social Year (“FSJ”) with the German Red Cross Schwesternschaft „Bonn” e.V. in Germany

Who is the DRK-Schwesternschaft „Bonn” e.V?

The Schwesternschaft of the German Red Cross in Bonn is an interest group of women working in care professions with training acquired through education and advanced training. The Schwesternschaft, as a part of the Red Cross and the Red Crescent movements, is characterized by internationality and tolerance. At the moment, members from over 40 countries belong to our community and orientate themselves in line with the seven principles of the Red Cross.

What is a Voluntary social year? (“FSJ”)

The Voluntary social year is a full time voluntary service in nonprofit organisations, which serves as personal and professional orientation, improves employability and educational aptitude and deepens socio-cultural competencies and language skills.

Why should you take part?

- Get clarity about your own career path
- Help other people (the sick, the disabled, the aged and children)
- Deepen your German language skills
- Bridge the gap between school and University/College/Apprenticeship
- Do study Internships for care work and Social work related Courses/apprenticeships in advance
- Test your performance and capabilities
- Experience interculturalism and get to know new people
- Improve your chances at the job market for your future career

Which fields can I work in?

We offer a wide spectrum of fields at the university teaching hospital in Bonn, in hospitals, retirement homes, kindergartens, schools, homes for the disabled and in cultural facilities in the Bonn/Cologne metropolitan region, the Rhine-Sieg Region, the Eifel, Bergisches Land and Wuppertal. The participants are taken care of by pedagogically qualified staff.

What do I get in exchange?

- Monthly allowance of approximately 300 Euros (inclusive of a transport food and accommodation lump sum)
- Social insurance cover (health, retirement and unemployment insurance)
- 26 paid vacation days
- Pedagogical care during the practical assignment
- Regular workshops

What perspectives does an FSJ open for my career future?

After an FSJ, there is an opportunity for interested and suitable participants to do an apprenticeship in nursing, geriatric nursing and care, pediatric nursing and care and healthcare professions with the Schwesternschaft.

Who can participate?

Young people from 18 to 26 years of age after completion of school. A work permit is not required for an FSJ

Requirements for participation

- Basic knowledge of the German Language i.e. A2 Level of the European Language reference System
- only applicants who are in a healthy condition will be considered

Commencement and duration of FSJ

The FSJ normally begins at the end of the summer vacation (July, August, September) and lasts a year. You can also start your FSJ later and extend it by six months to a total of 18 months.

Necessary application documents

Your application can only be made in the German Language and should include the following documents

- Letter of Motivation
- Curriculum Vitae
- A photo
- A copy of your school leaving certificate

Only applications complete with all documents will be considered

The Bonn Cologne Region

The region around the Beethovenian city of Bonn with its population of 300,000 people and the neighboring metropolis of Cologne are situated to the west of Germany and offer a lot of activities for your free time. The Siebengebirge, the Eifel and the Mittelrheintal are suitable local recreational areas within reach. More information on the region available under www.bonn-region.de/english.html

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