



Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS) Young Volunteer Program 2023 Application

Job Title	One Health Research Officer		
Country	Vietnam		
Partner Organization	Institute of Environmental Health and Sustainable Development (IEHSD)		
Placement location	Capital city	X	Comments: Position based in Hanoi with travel to the field.
	Mid-sized town		
	Rural town/village		
	Various		
Duration (Months)	12 weeks		
Start date	May 2023		
Pre-departure Training Date/s	Pre-departure training will be held in Ottawa at the beginning of May before departure.		
Eligibility requirements	Open to Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada only.		
Language Requirements	<p><u>Essential:</u> English</p> <p>Please mention if the volunteer will need to work with a local translator for some of their duties:</p> <p>Translation services will be provided when working with One Health Students Club and IEHSD's partners.</p>		
Academic Qualifications	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrolled or recent graduate in/from veterinary college <p><u>Desirable:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree or certification related to veterinary science, animal nutrition, or One Health 		
Professional Background / Skills	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience with poultry and small ruminants • Knowledge and understanding of animal health, One Health and biosafety/biosecurity • Strong research, report writing, and presentation skills • Experience with community-based organizations • Effective cross-cultural communication skills • Commitment to the principles of volunteer cooperation and familiarity with participatory approaches to development, including 		



	<p>the promotion of gender equality, good governance, and environmental sustainability</p> <p><u>Desirable:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous international work/volunteer experience in Vietnam or other low-income country
<p>Placement goal and objectives (preliminary)</p>	<p>Overall Goal:</p> <p>The primary purpose of the One Health Research Officer position is to work with VWB/VSF national volunteers and IEHSD staff members to complete a case study report from collected database on VETS's project activities in Thai Nguyen. Additionally, the volunteer will support IEHSD staff members with VETS project activities and IEHSD partner activities. This position will work in collaboration with the One Health Student Club to share knowledge, network, identify learning objectives, and support opportunities for collaborative action.</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Summarize and analyze the collected database of VETS project and compile a case study report. 2. Present on the case study report in meetings with various stakeholders, including IEHSD staff and partners, One Health Student Club, etc. 3. Support the development a guideline/handbook on animal health, One Health, and biosafety/biosecurity on topics determined by IEHSD Supervisor and volunteer. 4. Actively participate in regular meetings with the One Health Student Club. <p>All volunteers are expected to promote gender equality, environmental sustainability, and good governance within their placement responsibilities.</p>
<p>Volunteer Terms and Conditions</p>	
<p>VWB/VSF covers most of the costs of being an overseas volunteer, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel and accommodation for the pre-departure training course in Ottawa • Return airfare to placement country • Visa/permit costs • The cost of required vaccinations, anti-malarial medication, and overseas emergency travel health insurance • A monthly living allowance (MLA) that will be paid into the volunteer's bank account in Canada. The MLA is designed to be sufficient to cover simple housing, basic food requirements, and other typical monthly living expenses. 	



Fundraising

VWB/VSF encourages each volunteer to raise funds towards the organization's operations.

About Veterinarians Without Borders

In the global south, more than 90 per cent of food animals are raised by subsistence farmers yet these small-scale livestock producers, the majority of whom are women, have very limited access to quality and affordable animal health services. Aside from the risks associated with the loss of valuable livestock who provide important protein and/or income for poor households, zoonotic diseases that can be passed from animals to humans offer a very real threat to human health on a wider scale.

Veterinarians without Borders/Vétérinaires sans frontières (VWB/VSF) works for, and with, communities in need to foster the health of animals, people and the environments that sustain us. VWB/VSF works nationally and internationally to train animal health workers, increase food security, and improve animal & public health. VWB/VSF provides overseas volunteer placements for veterinarians and other animal & public health professionals.

About the Project: Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS)

Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS), funded through the Volunteer-Cooperation Program at Global Affairs Canada, will engage 190 volunteers to work with local partner organizations in Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, Lao PDR, Cambodia, and Vietnam. Volunteers will help create integrated animal health systems to increase the livelihoods and household nutrition of small-scale farmers.

The VETS program utilizes the skills of volunteers to build local partner capacity to support community members, primarily women, to reduce poverty. Through improved production of livestock and crops, volunteers help improve family income and nutrition. The VETS program is built around the One Health concept, which recognizes that the health of people, animals, and the natural environment are interconnected. This project promotes the production of more and better food and increased incomes from livestock, all the while promoting land rehabilitation and conservation for sustainable development.

Veterinarians Without Borders/Vétérinaires sans Frontière is an equal opportunity employer and values the diversity of our team. We are committed to inclusive and equitable employment practices and strive to create a workplace that supports diversity, equity, and inclusion. VWB/VSF Canada welcomes applications from all qualified candidates, including members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, women, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. Please let us know if you require an accommodation and we will work with you to ensure an equitable hiring process. Thank you for your interest in VWB/VSF Canada.



Apply now by sending your CV and cover letter to volunteer@vetswithoutborders.ca with “Young Volunteer Program – [Position] – [Your Name]” in the subject line.