

Alternative Break Program Ecuador Application

Section 1.

This application is for the following experience:

Name of Applicant

Working Boys Center in Quito, Ecuador. The WBC works with the whole family to educate and provide job training. While there Break participants will assist in English classes, help out around the school and go on home visits. Some knowledge of Spanish is helpful but not necessary. View the website at www.workingboyscenter.org.

Dates: The trip runs from January 3-17. Approximate cost - \$1,940.

Section 2:

Essay Questions

TYPE your response to the following essay questions. Please email your application to Beth Scanlon at scanlela@lemoyne.edu.

1. Have you ever participated in a service/immersion trip at Le Moyne or elsewhere? Please explain.
2. What experiences have contributed to your desire to apply to the Ecuador Alternative Break program? What motivates you to spend approximately two weeks of your semester break on an Alternative Break to Ecuador?
3. In what ways do you hope to grow and in what ways do you hope to learn from participating in this program? How might you approach this experience (including planning meetings, fundraising, the time spent in Ecuador, the time after returning) so that this growth and learning can take place?
4. While in Ecuador, daily group reflections will be an integral component of your experience and the experience of the whole group. Have you ever participated in a faith based reflection activity? If yes, how was this for you? What did you learn about yourself from the activity? If no, please describe an experience that included group sharing and reflection. How was this for you? What did you learn about yourself from the activity?
5. The living conditions that the group will encounter and live in during this Alternative Break are simple and can be challenging (e.g. different foods, cultural norms, living in close quarters, etc.). Have you had the opportunity to experience cultures other than your own? If yes, what was challenging and what was rewarding? How might you respond to a situation in which your living conditions are significantly different than what you are used to?
6. Describe a recent situation in which you experienced stress or conflict. How did you respond to this conflict and what was the outcome of the situation? What did you learn from the situation?

Section 3

Contact information – general and emergency

General Information

Name on your passport/State ID: _____

Name you prefer to be called: _____ Student ID# _____

Class year: _____ GPA _____

Date of Birth: _____ Major(s) : _____

Email: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Local address: _____

Home address: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name of contact/relationship (must be above 18 years of age): _____

Phone Number: _____ email: _____

Health Information

Do you have any dietary restrictions and/or food allergies? Yes No

If yes what? _____

Do you have any medical conditions that may affect your participation on the trip?

If yes, please explain: _____

APPLICATION DUE DATE: March 31

Email a copy of your application campusministry@lemoyne.edu.

Individual interviews begin on April 2

You will be notified when to sign up for an interview.