

# Overseas Professional and Intercultural Training (OPIT) Program

# Possible Internship Placements

The list below outlines possible internships and does not guarantee placement with a specific organization. The availability of placements changes from year to year and depends on our partners' capacities for hosting an intern at any given time.

Placements are not limited to the internships listed here. We also strongly encourage applicants to notify us if they are interested in an organization or institution not listed below. American Councils will reach out to potential placement organizations and explore new placements based on applicants' preferences.

#### **MOLDOVA**



#### American Language Center – [Education Management]

The American Language Center, created in the framework of American Councils for International education, specializes in teaching English, Romanian and Russian languages. Highly-qualified instructors from Moldova and the USA work together to better meet our students' needs and requirements in language study. [link]



#### **CCF Moldova Homes and Hopes for Children**- [Social Services]

CCF Moldova is a non-profit social services organization and the official representative of Hope and Homes for Children UK in Moldova. The organization was founded in 2004 and its goal is to improve children's well-being by upholding their rights to have a family. The main areas of work are child deinstitutionalization, institutionalization prevention, and the creation of alternative family type services. The organization also supports inclusive education promotion through capacity training for staff in the child development and social services field. The organization partners with Moldova's Ministry of Education to reform the residential care system for children. [link]



#### **EcoVisio** - [Ecology and Environmental Issues]

A youth led grassroots NGO from Moldova. Dedicated to realizing the full potential of the region as a model of sustainable development. Organization runs educational and empowerment programs, brings together key actors and foster ecological and social innovation. EcoVisio promotes active citizenship, environmental and economic resilience, social entrepreneurship and rural development by nurturing a growing community of change makers in Moldova. [link]





# **Hospice Angelus** - [Public Health]

Hospice Angelus is the first palliative care center in Moldova. Their mission is to improve the quality of life for people suffering from long-term illnesses, like cancer, through medical, social, and psycho-emotional care. [link]



# Act for Involvement (AFI) - [Public Health]

AFI builds bridges to ensure access to healthcare services for vulnerable persons affected by TB or HIV/SIDA and other diseases that have a major social impact. It seeks to do it through innovative services, advocacy and community mobilization. [link]



# **Eco Contact**-[Ecology and Environmental Issues]

Eco Contact promotes sustainable development in Moldova in the social, economics, and environmental fields. Since 2013, EcoContact has hosted an Aarhus Center which provides the local residents with information and legal expertise on environmental matters. [link]



# National Environmental Center-[Ecology and Environmental Issues]

The National Environment Center is focused on four issues: 1) implementation of projects aimed at increasing the ecological culture of the target groups; 2) involvement in activities that would increase the credibility and trust in civil society organizations; 3) contribution to environmental decision-making processes in environmental education; and 4) assistance for local authorities to attract investors to create and improve environmental infrastructure. [link]



### Tony Hawks Center- [Public Health]

Founded in 1998 with the support of Tony Hawks, a British writer and comedian, the Tony Hawks Center's mission is to increase access to community rehabilitation services to children with disabilities. The center provides multi-disciplinary rehabilitation services, such as physical therapy, speech therapy, and music therapy. [link]



# **CONCORDIA Social projects** - [Social Services]

Founded in 2004. The main goal of the organization is to contribute to the harmonious integration of disadvantaged people into society, to promote the rights and to provide the necessary social assistance to these people. A roof, a warm lunch, home help, affection, consolidation of relationships is the services provided to people in need. Over the past 14 years, the organization has helped over 11,000 children, the elderly and families in need. [link]



#### **Caritas Moldova** - [Social Services]

Founded in 1995, represents an organization formed by a motivated and responsible team, which is guided by Christian values and principles, such as human dignity, solidarity, compassion, volunteerism, integrity and transparency. [link]





#### **La Strada** - [Gender & Women's Rights]

Organization started its activity in 2009 in the area of combating domestic violence, and its first important accomplishment was the launch of the Trust Line for Women. Areas of activity: Prevention of Human Trafficking; Prevention of Domestic Violence; Prevention of commercial exploitation of children. [link]



**Promo-LEX Association** - [Democracy Building & Human Rights]

Founded in 2012 is a non-governmental organization that aims to advance democracy in the Republic of Moldova, including in the Transnistrian region, by promoting and defending human rights, monitoring the democratic processes, and strengthening civil society. [link]



**The Information Centre - GENDERDOC-M** - [Gender & Women's Rights]

Established in 1998 organization represents one of the oldest NGO actively promoting LGBT (lesbians, gay, bisexual and transgender people) community rights in Moldova. All along this period, GENDERDOC-M has carried out more than fifty projects at different levels.

Organization strives to create a legislative, legal and social framework for lesbians, gay, bisexual and transgender people in society, by developing LGBT community, by informing, promoting rights and providing services, and expanding organizational capacities. [link]



Nicolae Dumitrescu Academy - [Education Management]

A social business organization that tends to bring about positive changes in the community. The AND team provides free training for NGOs, educational institutions and other social organizations that need capacity development. [link]



Association for Development, Voluntary Service and Information for Youth – ADVIT - [Social Services]

ADVIT is a non-political, non-profit, non-governmental organization, started by and for young people, to involve Moldovan young people, with and without professional experience, into programs at national and international levels in the fields of education, culture, ecology, historical heritage protection and helping disadvantaged people, by contributing to the development of a more peaceful society, to the decrease of social injustice.[link]



Junior Chamber International (JCI) - [Business & Innovation]

JCI Moldova consists of young leaders and entrepreneurs. They develop projects in business, personal development and communication. Besides that JCI is a platform where its members meet and discuss business ideas, strategies and help each other. [link]





#### **Sporter** - [Social Services]

Organization that organizes outdoors projects, and activities such as: sport activities like run/bike marathons, sea miles, free divings, etc.[link]



# **Dreamups Innovation Campus** - [Business & Innovation]

Community where young entrepreneurs learn, share ideas and launch global campaigns. Besides that they offer co-working space and they offer access to their start up programs: Space Startup School.[link]



#### **Tekwill** - [Business & Innovation]

Tekwill is where people, community, ideas, resources, science, and industry meet to identify, facilitate, and enhance excellence in information technology. Driving the Moldovan ecosystem, as a leading connecter and networking facilitator, organizing and supporting local and regional techrelated events. [link]



#### **CNTM** - [Social Services]

Youth non-profit organization. CNTM promotes youth interests in Moldova, contributing to the development of associative youth structures through training programs and educational activities, information campaigns, lobbying, and consulting work. They organize related to civic society like: Youth Festival, Civic Fest, Volunteers Festival, and Career Days. [link]



# **Homecare Association** - [Social Services]

A non-profit, non-governmental, apolitical and non-commercial republic organization created in 2005 in order to raise public awareness on such issues as socially vulnerable people, to protect and promote civil, social rights and other legitimate rights and freedoms of elderly, people with special needs, children and other socially unprotected people, etc.

Over 1200 beneficiaries are provided different kinds of social and medical services. [link]



# **Center for Health Policies and Studies (PAS Center)** - [Public Heath]

The organization was founded in 1999, represents a dynamic regional organization with highly motivated professionals working in the area of social and public health areas: policy development and advocacy, programs implementation, monitoring and evaluation, qualitative and quantitative researches, capacity building, informational campaigns etc. [link]