



How does ALT Year work?

Abundant Life Together (ALT) provides young adults with a year apart in an intentional community of shared learning through personal reflection, rich relationships, leadership opportunities, and service. This multifaceted experience is centered in Christian faith practices and invites participants into a courageous life of discipleship that engages questions, challenges perspectives, and encourages collaboration, curiosity, and creativity.

ALT Year is a new ministry in the ELCA with a pilot site already operational in Toledo, Ohio. The ministry is now working to grow capacity and create additional sites in other communities. Maybe yours!

Service is a vital part of the ALT Year experience. Participants spend at least 25 hours a month serving in ministries and nonprofits that help them explore their gifts, vocations, and ongoing calls to service.

Admission: ALT Year seeks young adults (age 18-25) that are committed to learn and grow through community engagement and self-motivation. Participants should be willing to travel and have a desire to know more about the Christian faith. They should appreciate diverse experiences, opinions, and cultures. Our website has promotional videos, applications, and admission policies!

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How does BSC work?

BSC seeks to provide an opportunity for volunteers to work for justice, serve their neighbor, and walk humbly with their God.

BSC hosts full-time volunteers that live in intentional community, learn about living simply, work for social justice, and explore spirituality. Volunteers work with issues such as poverty, immigration, domestic violence, education, and health care with opportunities to work in churches, shelters, legal centers, after-school programs, clinics, and other social service agencies within the unique context of the border region.

Admission requirements: Completed application with three references.

Timeline: Applications are accepted after January 1 for the upcoming service year and applications close after all placements have been filled (typically prior to May).

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How does Lutheran Volunteer Corps work?

LVC is a community of faith that unites people to work for peace with justice. Its year-long program combines living simply and sustainably in intentional community with other Volunteers while working for peace with justice in nonprofit organizations in one of 13 cities.

LVC Volunteers pursue social justice work in organizations with missions in the following areas: AIDS/HIV, addiction and recovery, anti-racism, violence against women, children and youth, community development, the environment, LGBTQ rights, housing and homelessness, immigration, peace, and more.

LVC is committed to fighting oppression in all its forms, with a particular focus on racism and white privilege. LVC is a Reconciling in Christ organization and is committed to welcoming people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender. We expect our Volunteers and placement supervisors to join the LVC staff and board in our effort to make LVC a place that is open, affirming, and safe for all persons.

Volunteers must be 21 or older, self-motivated, committed to the power of diversity, and have a sense of humor. Volunteers should want to explore with others their experience of, and commitment to, spirituality, justice, intentional community, and simple, sustainable living. LVC is open to persons from all spiritual traditions.

Applications can be completed online. The first deadline is in January and the second is in the spring. Check the website for current deadlines.

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How does USC work?

Urban Servant Corps is a one-year full-time Lutheran volunteer program in Denver, CO. Volunteers commit to living in **intentional community** and embrace values of **simplicity** and **spirituality** as they **serve** at inner-city Denver nonprofits. USC positions are at agencies that provide immediate and direct care service as well those who advocate for lasting solutions and long-term social change.

USC is a Reconciling in Christ Organization.



Admission requirements: Must be 21 years of age and hold a Bachelor's Degree (or equivalent).

Timeline: Applications are accepted until all 18 positions are filled. Typically, applications are submitted starting in January for the program year that begins at the end of August.

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Young Adults in Global Mission



How does YAGM work?

The ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program invites ELCA young adults ages 19-29 into a transformative, year-long journey in international service. As they offer themselves in service, ELCA young adults are shaped by the witness of our global neighbors. They share in the journeys of companion churches and organizations in one of ten countries around the world.

Timeline: Applications are due February 15th for service starting in August of the same year. Candidates apply to the YAGM program at large and not to a specific country program. Generally, the more open a candidate is to serving in a variety of country programs, the more successful her/his application will be. Volunteers join the Global Mission staff for a discernment weekend in April, and participate in a week-long orientation event in August, just prior to departure.

Application requirements:

- Ages 19-29 with at least one year of post-high school experience. The following programs require a college degree or at least 21 years of age: Central Europe (Hungary), Jerusalem/West Bank, Madagascar, Malaysia, Rwanda, and Southern Africa.
- A commitment to serving in culturally and religiously diverse contexts.
- Openness to serving in a variety of country programs.
- Openness to exploring and deepening one's faith in the context of community.
- Flexibility, curiosity, patience, and a sense of humor!
- Emotional health and resilience.
- The ability to adapt to uncertainty and ambiguity and a desire to simply "be" with people and with God.
- Willingness to learn a new language and the courage to make mistakes!

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