

Service Beyond Detroit Mercy – Summer Options (page 1) and Options for After Graduation (pages 2-3)

Summer Opportunities:

[Humanity in Action:](#)

- Program lengths have varied over the last few years. The 2021 internship started with a three week summer immersion in Detroit, which opened up other opportunities after.
- Humanity in Action brings together a group of 22 American and European emerging leaders – focusing particularly on students from the Detroit-area and the state of Michigan – for an intensive program that examines the promise, failure and possibilities of social and economic progress in Detroit

[Operation Groundswell:](#)

- Travel, community service, and experiential education programs around the globe. We dig into social justice issues while working in solidarity with local activists, non-profits, and communities – including “Backpacking with a Purpose”
- Programs last 9 days - 40 days
- Learning components include Human Rights, Education, Health, Environment ...
- Spring Break options as well
- All students are eligible to receive financial assistance to reduce the cost of all our 35- and 45-day summer programs.
- Contact: Oren Jungreis, jungreis@operationgroundswell.com

[Catholic Volunteer Network:](#)

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Opportunities After Graduation:

Mercy Corps:

- Sr. Renee Kettering who works in the IT department here at Detroit Mercy, would love to talk to students about her experience as a Mercy Volunteer. Her email is: ketterrd@udmercy.edu, or call her at (313) 993-1223
- To contact the program directly, email them at: contactus@mercyvolunteers.org
- To know more about the service sites, email Marie Schultz at: marieschultz@mercyvolunteers.org or call her at 215 641 5535
- Marian Uba, Executive Director can be contacted at marianuba@mercyvolunteers.org
- MVC is beginning a summer program 8 week program in 2021. Currently all positions are full. This would be an excellent opportunity for future summer experiences.
- MVC welcomes graduates to participate in their year long program that places volunteers through the US and Guyana.

Jesuit Volunteer Corps:

- One year of post-graduation service begins in August
- Many Detroit Mercy grads have done this and loved it
- Each year a Jesuit Volunteer works in University Ministry here at Detroit Mercy. This year it is Salena Ibrahim. You can ask her about her experience - stop by University Ministry.
- Or Contact jvcprogram@jesuitvolunteers.org

Christ the King Service Corps – Detroit

Detroit Mercy Graduates are invited to participate in a one year program of service at various locations in Detroit. Participants will live in the former rectory at Christ the King. Contact John Baron john@ckscdetroit.org or call 313 506 4059

Xavier High School – Micronesia

Graduates are invited to participate in an international paid service experience. This is an opportunity to work for one or two years at Xavier Micronesia High School. A participant must have a college degree. The degree does not have to be in education. Graduates work in the school in a manner related to their field of study. Travel expense and housing is provided. There is a possibility of earning a Master's Degree from Boston College with a two-year commitment. For more information, visit their website: <https://www.xaviermicronesia.org/>

If you're interested, send an email to the President, Fr. Dennis Baker, S.J., at baker@xaviermicronesia.org

To get a brochure, stop by or email TheInstitute@udmercy.edu

Career Planning

<https://www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/resources/non-profit-volunteer-careers/>

This resource is designed to help anyone interested in working towards a career in non-profits, but it actually gives good advice that applies even if you are not specifically interested in non-profit work.

Non-Profit Management – Masters degrees

<https://www.gograd.org/online-masters-programs/best-non-profit-management-degrees/>

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Food Corps

<https://foodcorps.org/apply/>

One year nationwide program that seeks to create a future in which every school is a healthy one and every kid has a shot at success.

In Detroit you work with Monica DeGarmo's Detroit Public School Nutrition Program. Mary Rochelle, is the local Food Corps recruiter. She would be happy to share more about Detroit Food Corps sites, as well state wide and national opportunities. Contact FoodCorps MI Program Coordinator Quan Blunt - quan.blunt@foodcorps.org, Or call Addell "Dale" Austin Anderson 313-409-6684

Recommended by Monica DeGarmo

Clara Gamalski says: They're looking for full time employees to work one year in exchange for a (very small) stipend and an education award. I believe that FoodCorps, like other Americorps Programs, does not provide housing or allow volunteers to have second jobs—so folks have to live on ~\$10k/year with small loan forgiveness available at the end of the program.

<https://foodcorps.org/apply/>

Online Guide to Gap Year

Volunteering: <https://www.publicservicedegrees.org/volunteering/for-a-gap-year/>

Student Training & Education in Public Service

(STEPS): <https://www.publicservicedegrees.org/>