

Volunteer Internship Program



Overview

MAP's office in Thailand has greatly benefited from the assistance of Volunteer Interns since 2007. So far over 40 volunteers from 13 different countries (UK, USA, India, Thailand, Spain, Germany, Madagascar, France, Austria, Indonesia, Australia, Ecuador and Canada) have joined the office. An amazing amount of work has been achieved which would never have been accomplished otherwise, and volunteers in return have gained hands-on experience while learning about the work which MAP undertakes, both in the office and in the field.



What MAP does:

MAP's Asia office is small and supports partner NGOs and projects in the region and Thailand involving mangrove restoration, coastal resource conservation, awareness raising, Community Based Coastal Resource Management, developing alternative livelihoods, environmental education and network building. The MAP Asia Coordinator requires office assistance to support a wide range of projects activities. Community-based Ecological Mangrove Restoration is one of the primary projects MAP undertakes which is being implemented through several provinces in southern Thailand ([read more](#)).



Expectations:

Volunteers play a vital role in the day-to-day tasks at the MAP Thailand office. Tasks vary greatly but can include developing project proposals, searching and analyzing funding opportunities, internet research projects, writing articles for the newsletter, preparing information documents, editing project reports, teaching English classes, and updating social media. A large part of MAP's work is carried out in the field and volunteers get to experience these trips. It can include visiting mangrove forests, local schools, MAP's previous restoration sites as well as visiting a small remote island, Koh Phra Thong, where MAP partner researchers are carrying out seagrass monitoring. Volunteering at MAP gives you the full experience of what it is like to work for an NGO with a great balance of office and field work.

What past volunteers have said:

"Today is my last day as volunteer intern, and I just wanted to extend a huge thank-you! I have learned so much and have had a fantastic experience. I am truly sad to be leaving"

Emma McDowell, USA, 2017



What past volunteers have said:

"...my internship with MAP has come to an end. It has been such an incredible pleasure working with this group of passionate and motivated individuals. I have learned more than I could have imagined, and I have without a doubt gained valuable experience here in Southern Thailand (it sounds cliché but it's really true)."

Zoë Shribman, USA, 2018

Requirements

Volunteers will need to be fully self-supporting covering food, accommodation and accident insurance. Volunteers will stay in a small furnished rented house near the office costing less than \$120/month including utilities. Living costs in Thailand are also very low. Volunteers are also expected to stay a minimum of three months at MAP.

To find out how to apply

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MAP would like to thank all the past
volunteers for their help and support.

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