

Merapoh Teacher

FUZE Ecoteer, Malaysia (001948476-M)



Role

As the Merapoh Teacher you will be responsible for helping the project leader to establish then run teaching sessions for the Batek people and also for the local Malay children. You will help to develop the teaching materials and lesson plans for the session with your project manager. You will also help to collect information on how the Batek use the rainforest for foraging and hunting. You may also be asked to help with jungle trekking and camping. Remember the Batek are still very much connected to the rainforest, we can learn a great deal from them however even though you are focused on teaching you will also spend a large amount of time in the rainforest.

This role is suitable for a Malaysian or foreigner wanting to learn Bahasa Malaysia/Bahasa Batek, that has teaching experience and willing to work independently. They must also want to get stuck in and help with the jungle trekking and camping. We are looking for energetic team orientated people with a dynamic, can do attitude, but whom respects the culture of the Batek and also the Malay community.

Key Duties

Community.

- Help host foraging sessions with the Batek.
- Ask the Batek questions as to what they are doing – record all information on video and keep in a systematic way to develop a community usage map for the Batek people
- Help to develop community based tourism initiatives that continue to be sensitive to the culture and needs/wants of the Batek.
- Lead the rubbish collection project at the Batek village – weekly collections – separate waste into recyclable materials and sell at recycle centre at Kuala Lipis. KEEP ALL THIN PLASTICS.

Teaching

- Prepare all lesson plans and materials
- Develop a syllabus for the english teaching – VERY BASIC – TEACHING ABC AND NUMBERS
- Host three weekly English lessons for the Batek children.
- Record all lesson plans in dropbox.
- With the project manager help start an environmental school club at the local government school.
- Develop all lesson plans and materials for the environment club.

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Volunteers

- Follow a schedule of activities that has been set by your project manager.
- Monitor volunteers throughout the program with attention paid to safety, morale and participation.
- Facilitate volunteer meetings to gain feedback on the program and to identify key interest areas for long term stays.
- Identify and utilize individual strengths amongst the volunteers and your colleagues.
- Regularly review the program with your colleagues.
- Ensure the general upkeep of the house and volunteer areas.
- Ensure all equipment and camping gears are in working/ usable condition.
- Ensure supplies of first aid equipment are kept at the appropriate level.
- Ensure the upkeep of equipment used by volunteers.

Forest Based Activities

- You maybe ask to assist volunteer groups during jungle treks
- You are responsible for the safety of the volunteers at all times when in the forest, though you will be given training by the project leader and always have a local guide with you so you **MUST** ensure all suitable safety precautions are taken.
- Join overnight camping sessions when volunteers are present with the Batek.
- Organise and join foraging activities with the Batek.

Accommodation

- Ensure the volunteers keep the accommodation in a clean and tidy state.
- Ensure bedding is changed on a weekly basis and that all new volunteers have clean bedding.
- Follow the daily cleaning schedule

General Requirements

- Be a team player
- High level of teaching experience
- Ensure a good level of communication between the Project Leader and your colleagues at all times.
- Undertake and demonstrate consistent planning of your workload and adhere to set deadlines.

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- Meet regularly with the Project Leader as the timetable of the project allows.
- Assist the Project Leader in completing Risk Assessments, Operating Procedures and programme content as required.
- Complete reports as required.
- Provide cover for colleague's leave and illness as required.
- Ensure good financial management by detailing proposed and actual expenditure and filing receipts.
- Travel for the purposes of work following agreed timetabling and budgets.
- Provide **adequate notice** of any travel needed whether work related or personal.
- Must display a professional example to volunteers and colleagues at all times.
- Must adhere to all safety measures, protocols and procedures as directed by Ecoteer.
- Must notify Project Leader of issues that affect the completion of set tasks.
- You are expected to carry out daily house chores with the other staff on a rota basis.
- **Take on tasks in addition to the descriptions above as delegated by the Project Leader that are deemed fair, achievable within the present task load.**

Personal Specification

- Medium - high physical fitness.
- Able to work under hot and humid conditions.
- Excellent communication skills and confident public speaker.
- High level of organization and ability to meet deadlines.
- Knowledge of the work of Ecoteer and terrestrial conservation in Malaysia.
- Competent in using Microsoft Office.
- A flexible and adaptive approach.
- Must be comfortable in accessing assistance for a demanding role.
- Adventurous. Experience in outdoor activities preferred.
- Independent and resourceful.

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What you get out of it

- Rotate with other interns to go caving with volunteers- 1 intern per group.
- Share of communal food
- IF YOU STAY LONGER than 6months we will provide a basic allowance of Rm250 per month for the 7th month.
- Free mixed dorm accommodation at Merapoh.
- 8 days off per month – provided as 1 day off per week and a block of 4 days off per month or 2 days off per week depending on work management at Project Leader’s discretion.
- All work related expenses (NOT TRAVEL TO OR FROM MALAYSIA).
- Free Wifi internet.
- Written reference letter at request.

Start and End Dates

Start ASAP

PLEASE NOTE

We prefer longer durations and if you stay for the whole season we can offer an allowance after probation.

How to apply

Please submit your cv and cover letter to Daniel@fuze-ecoteer.com

Deadline

25th May 2017