



SKILLS ASSESSMENT

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING ABROAD PROGRAMS, INC.

ELAP group programs place students in exciting environments where their abilities are tested. Throughout the program, participants will face situations that will be challenging - both physically and emotionally. These programs will put students face to face with the realities of their host city while helping them grow personally through serving local communities. The information provided in this skills assessment will be used during the application review process to determine student eligibility. In addition, the information will be considered during the development of the group's volunteer service project(s). Please answer these questions as honestly as possible.

ELAP cannot guarantee service projects with organizations where the specific skills of each student are utilized. In all situations students must exhibit flexibility, maturity, a strong work-ethic, adaptability, and motivation. Furthermore, it is vital that participants recognize that the service projects are designed to serve the interests of others, not the interests of the students.

All ELAP volunteers must demonstrate a minimum overall GPA of 2.5. By the program departure date, participants must be at least **18 years of age**.

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

SEX: MALE FEMALE **AGE (AT THE START OF PROGRAM):** _____

UNIVERSITY: _____

PROGRAM LOCATION AND DATE:
(refer to website for details)

CITY: _____ **COUNTRY:** _____ **DATES** _____

SERVICE AREAS

Please indicate the **THREE** service areas where you believe you could make the greatest contributions.*

- ECOLOGY / WILDLIFE SOCIAL WORK
- EDUCATION PHYSICAL LABOR
- SPORTS WORKING WITH CHILDREN
- CONSERVATION URBAN BEAUTIFICATION

* ELAP does not guarantee group placement in the chosen service areas. Participants may be required to volunteer in any of the areas listed above.

EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS

Please indicate **ALL** areas where you have experience and/or skills.

- SPORTS TEACHING / TUTORING
- CONSTRUCTION ARTS AND CRAFTS
- DANCE CHILD SUPERVISION
- RECYCLING MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
- LEADERSHIP ROLES GARDENING / PLANTING
- SCOUTS WILDLIFE PRESERVATION

SHORT ESSAYS

Please answer the following questions in the spaces provided. If more space is needed, you may attach additional paper and submit it with this form.

1. Briefly explain why you want to volunteer abroad with ELAP?

SHORT ESSAYS (CONT'D)

2. What experiences in your life, if any, have incorporated the use of a foreign language? (Outside of school)

3. All ELAP volunteers abroad must learn to deal with many challenges as a result of living in a foreign country. ELAP participants face the additional challenge of playing an active role in the community through volunteer service projects. What do you believe will allow you to be successful as an ELAP participant?
