***Coaches Across Continents Global Citizen Application 2019***

*You don’t have to be a great soccer player or coach to be a Global Citizen with* [*Coaches Across Continents*](http://www.coachesacrosscontinents.org)*. We are looking for the best people who can use Purposeful Play to deliver Education Outside the Classroom and who will represent our organization On- and Off-Field.*

***Application Due Date:***

* Your application is **due three months prior** to your availability start date. **Please Note:** Late applications are welcome, but decrease likelihood of acceptance.
* If you are **a university student** and looking to be a Global Citizen during the **summer months**, you are strongly encouraged to apply no later than **February 1st.**

Applications and spots are given on a first-come, first-offer basis assuming you meet our criteria. Trips to developing countries take months to plan properly when considering medical immunizations, passport and visa approvals, and other factors. [Coaches Across Continents](http://www.coachesacrosscontinents.org) runs programs year-round and therefore accepts applications at any time.

***This could change your life, so take your time:***

This could be one of the hardest and most rewarding things that you ever do, and will most likely change your perspective on life. Everyone who works at CAC does so because we have a passion for making positive change in the world through sport and travel. CAC is a family, which is why over 60% of our past Global Citizens stay involved with CAC Off-Field or go on a repeat trip at their next opportunity!

**Potential Project Countries could include any of the 40+ existing countries we have partners in, plus new implementing partner programs in North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Oceania, and Asia.**

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

**Q: Where will I work?**

A: We will place you with a team of coaches depending on your period of availability. On our website you can see all the places we work which currently includes and anticipated 90 partner programs in 45 countries on 6 continents. It is possible that we add a program that is not currently on the website before you are placed at a location. At this point in time it is not possible to ‘request’ a specific community or country.

**Q: Whom will I be traveling with?**

A: Every coaching team will be led by a CAC senior staff member. When building our teams of coaches, we take into strong consideration gender balance, coaching experience, travel experience, and CAC experience. In addition, because different Global Citizens have different availability dates, your coaching group can change from week to week as different coaches arrive and depart.

**Q: Why is the application so long?**

A: Our application is extensive for one very simple reason. The Global Citizen position is intensive and potentially life-changing, consisting of traveling to a developing country, educating local coaches eager to change their communities, and living and working with a small group of CAC coaches every day for the duration of your trip. We need to know that you are prepared to make the commitment needed to have a positive impact on the world.

**Q: This will be my first time to a developing country and I’m really excited and really nervous!**

A: That’s not a question but it’s ok! Why have a comprehensive Field Manual that will provide even more answers for you once you have been accepted as part of our Global Citizen program. We will help to answer all of your questions as they arise!

**Q: Why do I have to fundraise if I can just pay for the trip myself?**

A: Although this might be true, it would limit our abilities to provide life-changing and impactful programs like our Community Impact Coach Initiative, which provides experiences and networking abilities for our local partner program coaches. Fundraising allows for the Coaches Across Continents team to continue producing an incredible product for the world through sport, while still taking great care of our Global Citizens in the preparation and on-field, travel process.

**Q: Will I have a chance to do touristy stuff too?**

A: While traveling with CAC we typically work for five days in local communities and travel between communities on the weekend. When possible, coaches are able to take in local touristy sites and trips. A large majority of our coaches take advantage of their location to add an extra few days or weeks onto the beginning or end of their trip to do safaris, Victoria Falls, beaches, temples, museums, shark diving, etc. Whenever possible we encourage you to take advantage of this as well! In addition, by working with CAC you will be a part of the local community fabric and have many authentic travel experiences that you simply cannot get just by traveling, doing touristy stuff, backpacking, or spending a solitary day volunteering.

***Global Citizen Application Form***

Please answer all questions in a **DIFFERENT COLOR** so it is easier to read.

This is an intensive application on purpose. This experience could be life changing – so be thoughtful with your answers.

**Section I: Personal Information**

**QUESTION #1:** How did you hear about Coaches Across Continents?

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Full Name (First/Middle/Last):

Gender:

Date of Birth:

Date of Application Submission (today’s date):

Permanent Address:

City/State/Country/Postal Code:

Country of Birth:

Nationality:

Passport Number:

Expiration Date:

Cell phone number (or best number to reach you at):

SKYPE contact:

Email address:

Emergency Contact Name:

Emergency Contact Name Relationship:

Emergency Contact Phone Number:

Have you ever been cautioned, arrested or convicted of a criminal offense or are you currently the subject of a criminal investigation?

If yes, please explain in detail:

**COACHING, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

Please list all your sport playing and coaching qualifications:

Coaching Courses Completed/Pending:

Please briefly describe your playing / coaching experience:

Please list any schools attended as well as your college/university:

Course of Study:

Graduation Year:

Please provide name of your most recent employer:

Occupation:

Length of time in position:

Employment Contact person name:

Contact person email address:

**HEALTH:**

*Note: Many places we operate are rural communities in developing countries. Medical care is extremely varied from place to place and it will be essential to fully understand any potential issues prior to placement.*

Are you in good health?

If no, explain:

Do you have any medical disabilities?

If yes, explain:

Do you suffer from any pre-existing medical conditions?

If yes, explain:

Have you incurred any major injuries or undergone any surgeries in the past two years?

If yes, explain:

Do you have any allergies?

If yes, explain:

Do you drink alcohol?

If yes, how often:

Do you smoke?

If yes, how many a day:

Are you presently or in the past two years been on medication?

If yes, explain:

Have you ever had or been treated for a drug addiction or problem?

If yes, explain:

Do you have any tattoos or body piercings? (Information needed as we work in potentially culturally sensitive areas)

If yes, please describe:

**LANGUAGE:**

*Please answer this section honestly. As Coaches Across Continents continues to expand, we have incorporated some programs that require* **FLUENT** *speakers in order to properly serve our partner programs.*

What is your native (1st) language?

Do you speak any other languages **FLUENTLY**?

If so, which languages?

Do you speak any other languages to any small degree?

If so, which languages and please describe your level of proficiency:

**PERSONAL QUALITIES:**

What are your strongest personal qualities?

What are your weaknesses?

What would your best friends say are your strengths/weaknesses?

Why are you keen on being a Global Citizen with Coaches Across Continents?

What leadership positions have you held?

If you could have any superhero power, what would it be and why?

**DATES OF AVAILABILITY:**

*Please list in detail the dates that you are available to be a Global Citizen with Coaches Across Continents (e.g. August 8th, 2018 – September 20th, 2018). This is very important when we schedule partner programs. You will be matched with the community programs that are running during your available dates.*

Potential Start date for Global Citizen trip:

End date for Global Citizen trip:

Would you like to be a Global Citizen with CAC for the entire time you just provided above?

If not, what is the total number of weeks you are willing to be a Global Citizen with CAC in the range you provided above?

**Section II: Travel**

List all the countries that you have visited:

Which country was your favorite and why?

What is the biggest length of time you have been away from home?

What is the longest amount of time you have visited/stayed in a single foreign country?

What, in particular, keeps people from traveling to developing countries?

What do you think will be your biggest challenges of living in a developing community?

You will often hear the phrase T.I.A. (This is Africa) – or the equivalent in other continents/countries – as things almost never go perfectly to plan. How will you deal with the frustrations of late buses, noisy rooms, and the constant attention of local people and children in the community?

List three Off-Field qualities that you possess that you think will help you succeed in developing countries:

**Section III: Videos**

*For this section, please write 3 things you learn about CAC by watching the videos. You can watch 1 or all of the videos (though watching all would be more fun!)*

**Watch this video: Global Citizen Video**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MyCC8LxFVrA>

**Watch this video: ASK for Choice - Gender Equity Initiative**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N0qcctS2Ldc>

**Watch this video: Vlog from a Global Citizen**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5aa2hQMbYNw>

*Three things I learned about CAC from these videos…*

1.

2.

3.

 **Section IV: Fundraising Experience**

***Every Global Citizen is expected to raise funds for Coaches Across Continents prior to your trip. This is necessary to keep CAC sustainable.***

*The minimum amount that every Global Citizen must fundraise is $1,000. Your aim should be double what your trip is anticipated to cost. Upon completion of your trip, we allow volunteers to be reimbursed from a percentage of their fundraising efforts. You may receive full or partial reimbursement for the following travel costs: airfare, visas, immunizations, and lodging. The reimbursement amount depends on your fundraising.*

*Global Citizens sometimes also pursue outside grants, which help them to cover their personal travel. This is fine and encouraged, but these candidates are still expected to fundraise for Coaches Across Continents so that we can continue our great On- and Off-Field work 365 days of the year. If you qualify for a grant, the expectation is that your fundraising minimum remains at $1,000.*

Have you had any past experiences fundraising?

If yes, please elaborate on what events or organizations you raised funds for:

What was your target amount?

How much money were you able to fundraise?

Please give three separate ideas on how you plan to raise funds for CAC? Please describe these ideas in detail.

Fundraising Idea 1:

Fundraising Idea 2:

Fundraising Idea 3:

**Section V: References and Photograph**

*Please list two references and their contact information. Please notify them that we may reach out to them in the near future.*

Name (Reference #1):

Email:

Phone:

Why have you selected this person as a reference?

Name (Reference #2):

Email:

Phone:

Why have you selected this person as a reference?

**YOUR PHOTOGRAPH!**

*Paste here! We may use it on our website if you are selected as one of our Global Citizen coaches.*

**Next Step: Submit Your Application! Please Read Carefully…**

Send this completed application to the people listed below:

volunteer@coachesacrosscontinents.org

ashlyn@coachesacrosscontinents.org

charlie@coachesacrosscontinents.org

**What Happens Now?**

Selected applicants will be contacted and we will schedule a Skype/phone interview as soon as possible with a member of the Coaches Across Continents team. After the Skype interview and checking of references, a decision will be made. If selected to be a Global Citizen with Coaches Across Continents, you will then be required to:

1. Begin your fundraising efforts! Again, **every Global Citizen is expected to fundraise a minimum of $1,000 – and the target goal is twice your anticipated costs.** Fundraising is important. Without visible progress towards your fundraising goal, your place in the program may be discussed or put on hold. You will have access to Fundraising Consultancy throughout your pre-trip planning period.
2. Fill & return the Waiver, Background Check, On-Field Code of Conduct, Respect in Sport Certificate (all found in our Field Manual)
3. Begin planning and packing! This is your Global Citizen experience of a lifetime!