

GETTING A JOB OVERSEAS

~ You'll get more out of a summer job than you ever imagined ~

Just think of the people you could meet and the stories you could tell if you busted out of your old summer job routine and headed overseas to work. Whether you pour Guinness in a Dublin pub, wait tables at a Paris cafe or teach kids at a day care center in Munich, you will learn more about another culture than you ever could on a whirlwind tour of Europe. And to top it all off, the money you earn can help pay for your travel expenses. All it takes is a little motivation, a touch of self-

confidence (you'll have tons more once you learn to live in another country) and some help from CIEE.

We heard from a few skeptical students who read our last issue and wondered if it really was so easy to find a job overseas. Well, it's true. It is simple when you go through CIEE's Work Abroad program. It's not the only way to find a job in London or Berlin or wherever, but it is the easiest by far. The Work Abroad program cuts through all the red tape that governments make students go through. CIEE will arrange

for the work authorizations you need, give you a warm welcome and spend some time giving you the lay of the land — the good places to look for jobs and the inside scoop on cheap, comfortable housing.

We've gathered up students' most common questions and answered them here for you. They should address all your concerns, and the fine print that goes along with the application gives you the details you need. Just fill out the form, mail it back and get ready for an adventure.



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Can I earn enough money to support myself while abroad?

A. Yes, you can expect to earn enough to cover day-to-day living expenses.

Q. What kind of jobs are available?

A. Theoretically, anything! Generally, however, the kinds of employment available are short-term, from waiting tables to temping.

Q. Can I find a job that will be related to my future career?

A. If you would like a job related to your field of study, you will need to do research and write letters before going abroad. On campus, your career services and foreign study advisers are excellent sources of information. Remember, though, any type of international work experience enhances your resume.

Q. Do I have to speak a foreign language to participate in Work Abroad?

A. There is no language requirement for work in Britain, Ireland, Canada, New Zealand or Jamaica. You must meet certain language requirements to work in France, Germany or Costa Rica.

Q. Can I apply to work in more than one country?

A. Yes, but you must begin work in each country within one semester of your last period of study in the U.S.

Q. Is there a fee to join Work Abroad?

A. The fee is \$125 for each country in which you choose to work.

Q. What do I get for the program fee?

A. Before you leave the U.S., you will receive the documents necessary for work authorization, along with a program handbook. Upon arrival abroad, you will receive an orientation and the services of CIEE or its cooperating organization to help you find a job and housing, as well as assist with any unforeseen difficulty that may arise.

Q. How many students actually do this?

A. In 1992 alone, almost 5,000 students from over 1,000 U.S. colleges and universities found jobs overseas through CIEE.

Q. How do I apply?

A. See that form on the next page? Follow the directions, read the fine print and send everything back to CIEE. You'll hear back in four weeks.

Q. Who can do this?

A. Just about any college student, although there are some restrictions. Basically, you have to be 18 years old and a full-time student or recent graduate. But read the details on page 27 for the whole story.

Q. What's the deadline for applying?

A. Unlike your psych class, there are no formal deadlines for the Work Abroad program. Remember, though, it takes four weeks to get approval. And if you want to work in New Zealand or Jamaica, CIEE will send you a visa application, which will take another three weeks for the respective embassies to process. If you get a sudden attack of wanderlust, or if you are just terrible at planning ahead, you can send your application by express mail. Your materials will be sent back by express mail, too, if you include \$15 for the service. That will reduce the total processing time to about 10 days.

Q. What happens if I can't go? Can I get my money back?

A. You can get a 50 percent refund if you cancel before your application is processed. There is no refund after the application is processed.