



Gloucestershire
YOUTH
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Internships

Not your typical gap year

We don't believe every gap year should be the same. Your situation, your personality, and your aims are different to other people's. A gap year should reflect that.

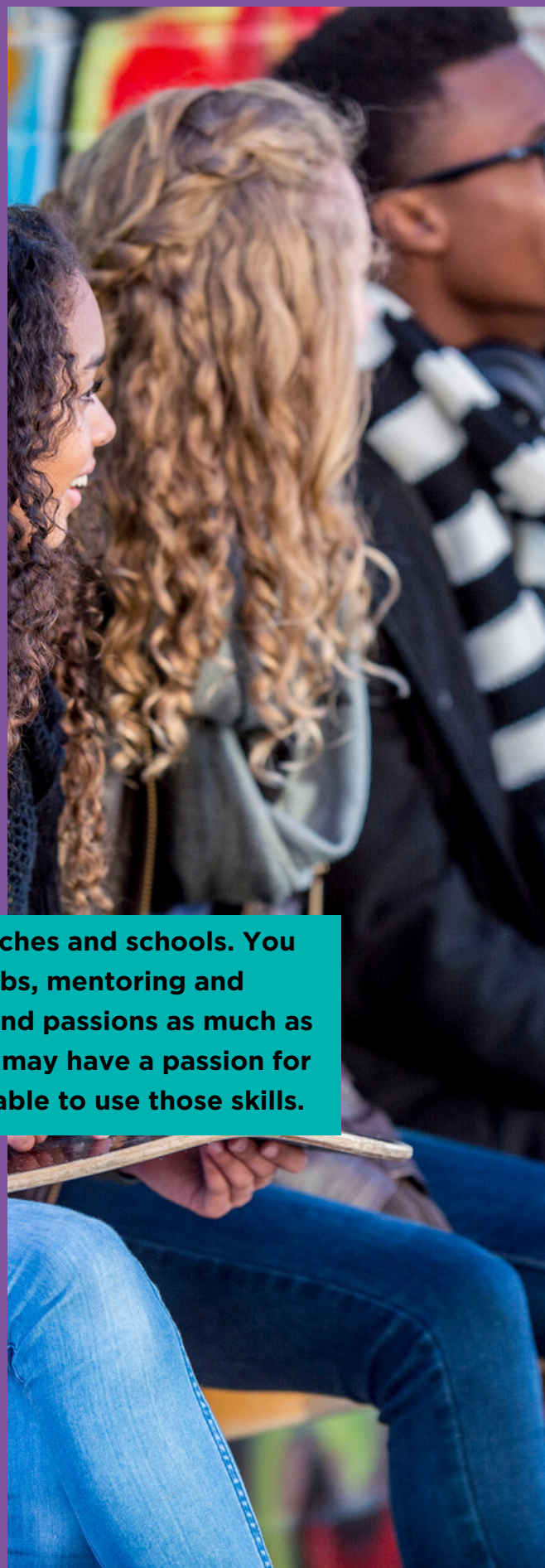
You may have just finished Year 13 and want a break from formal education; you may have just completed university and are looking to serve God for a year before entering the work force. You may be seeking a year to gain experience, whilst exploring the direction you think God wants you to take next.

We want your year out to be one that allows you to grow and develop as much as possible. You will gain skills, qualifications, and experiences that develop you and your character.

You will gain youth work experience in churches and schools. You will be involved in assemblies, youth clubs, mentoring and residential. We also want to use your skills and passions as much as possible in our work with young people. You may have a passion for sport, IT, arts, or design, we want you to be able to use those skills.

Throughout the year you will receive training, mentoring and discipleship, alongside learning practical skills. As part of the year, we will work with you to explore what God wants you to do next. You will leave with recognised qualifications in first aid, safeguarding, and food hygiene, that will be useful in gaining further employment.

It is your year, and will be built around you. If you prefer, you can work part-time, alongside volunteering with us.





Over 142,000 young people under the age of 19 live in Gloucestershire. We want to give as many of them as possible the opportunity to have their lives changed by Jesus.



Where?

Gloucestershire is in the West of the country between Bristol and Birmingham. It gives an outstanding balance between easy trips to nearby cities and being surrounded by the fantastic countryside of the Cotswolds. Our offices are based in the town of Cheltenham, but our work includes areas such as Gloucester, Tewkesbury, and beyond.

How much?

We know that now more than ever, finance concerns us all. We don't want paying for a gap year to hinder anyone from applying. That is why we do not charge to do an internship with us. This means that we pick up the costs. We will encourage you to fundraise towards these costs, alongside all of our staff who do the same. We will help you with your fundraising. But remember, we want the right people here with us, regardless of whether they can raise their costs.

Accomodation

During the year, you will be based in a local church, where you will also serve on the youth team. You will live with a host family from the church who will provide you with a room and your food. We have former interns who are still in touch with their host family many years later. We aim to match you with a church and a host family that works well for all of you.

If you are local, you can stay in your own home and church, where you will also serve in youth work.

You will also receive four weeks of holiday between September and July.

What next?

Initially, we would like a conversation with you. If you want to take things forward after this conversation, we will get you to complete an application form and take up references. If we all decide that a year with us would be helpful, we will do an enhanced DBS.

We cannot sponsor a work visa, even for a volunteer, so it is essential that you have the right to work in the United Kingdom

To speak to us further, email office@yfcgloucestershire.co.uk or use the contact form at www.yfcgloucestershire.co.uk/vacancies

"It's been a challenging, yet hugely rewarding year where I've done things that I never would've considered doing before." Michael

"This experience has allowed me to see clearly God's heart and vision, and how He is happy to use people even with all their limits. I want to encourage others to take a step of faith like I did; you will be surprised how much God can teach you when you make yourself available for Him."

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