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HELLO FROM AMERICAMP



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Hey, Hello and Hi!

We are AmeriCamp, the award-winning Summer Camp Organisation (also known for our love of #FreeBiscuits) who work hard every day to make people's dreams come true!

AmeriCamp was founded on the desire to give people the chance to experience the summer of a lifetime, whilst offering the best salaries and the lowest fees to our applicants. Call us sentimental, but we feel strongly that people should be earning a salary that reflects their skills and attributes!

One of our proudest moments here at AmeriCamp was when we were named Best Summer Camp Organisation by Save the Student in 2011. This is the industry's most prestigious award and we have remained title holders for a whopping 6 years running! We have also been named the number one Summer Camp Agency by The Summer Camp Guide - not too shabby!

However, what we are most proud of is our 100% placement rate for the past 3 years running!

At AmeriCamp, we work our hardest to ensure that you are placed at a camp that is best suited to you, so that you can really make the most of your time at camp! AmeriCamp has grown into one of the most popular cultural exchange programmes out there – so be prepared to apply early to avoid missing out on your summer of a lifetime!

The AmeriCamp Team

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**P.S. Don't forget your
#FreeTimTams**



WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT AMERICAMP



Vivien Allred
@VivienAllred

comparing wages with people working at camp who haven't gone with @AmeriCamp and love that I'll earn so much more for the same job! 🇺🇸🇬🇧🇨🇦



Alice Humphreys
@Aibali277

Off to North Carolina after an amazing 9 weeks at camp! Thank you so much to all the wonderful people @AmeriCamp!



Ann Nicol
@annnicol_jb

In my dream I applied for @AmeriCamp, got accepted and then went to a camp in California. Why did I have to wake up. I was living the dream.



Lee McAteer @Mrl.eeMcAteer
@annnicol_jb @AmeriCamp this tweet has made my day



Rhianna Osborne
@rhianna_osborne

@AmeriCamp is easily the best decision I ever made
#lifechanging 🇺🇸🇬🇧🇨🇦



17 Likes



Sophie Fleurkember
So my life is amazing! #americamp



Stephanie Sperry
@steflisperry

@AmeriCamp can't believe I only have one week left of camp 😭 I'll be so sad to leave been the best summer ever! Thk u 4 making it happen 🥹🥹🥹



leigh walmsley ✓
@auberginearcher

You feel a bit low and then come home to this! Thanks @AmeriCamp for cheering me right up! #littletthingsmeanalot 😊



Gemmaavery
@Jimjagemma123

Friends have had time of their life with @AmeriCamp this year, as I did 2 years ago. Nows the time to make it happen folks...
#LifeChanger



meg-wam :)
@meganlines

Only 4 more days of camp left... Can't believe how quickly it's gone past!! Really not ready to leave just yet 🇺🇸🇬🇧🇨🇦
@AmeriCamp



Palvgren
@PatrickAlvgren

Thank you so much @AmeriCamp I can truly say I have had the best summer ever and met the most amazing of friends! Summer camp's are amazing!



汉娜
@han_winkles

Camp, NYC & Washington, DC done now North Carolina, Florida, New Orleans, Texas & Chicago. Thanks @AmeriCamp for making this possible!



Ella
@paulson_supreme

I seriously need to do Americamp if I don't, what am I doing with my life



• taylorxx, elisehuss, rhesemarshal16, lisadomicott, charlottejdickinson, charnotalotte, sexxylexxxie, tiggyjk, instamericamp
• hannahgreen114 Cannot believe I'm leaving camp today to start my travelling adventure. Had the best time ever with these bunch of loons, so happy to have friends all over the world now. #thisisgoodnightbutnotgoodbye #cloverpatchcamp #america #americamp #newyork #americamp



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WHAT DO YOU GET AS AN AMERICAMPER



**PLACEMENT AT ONE OF THE
VERY BEST CAMPS IN AMERICA**

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HIGHEST SALARIES

2



**24/7 EMERGENCY
AMERICAN HOTLINE**

3

**DISCOUNTS WITH OUR SISTER BRANDS,
INVASION, CAMP SOUTH AFRICA AND MORE!**

4



FREE ACCOMMODATION

5



#FREEBISCUITS

6



FREE T-SHIRT

9



FREE FOOD

7



FREE SIM CARD

8



**FUN REUNIONS WHEN
YOU GET HOME**

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AMERICAMP ROLES

CAMP COUNSELLOR



There are two types of Camp Counsellors and both roles require endless enthusiasm, buckets of patience and a genuine desire to work with kids to ensure they have the best Summer ever!

General Camp Counsellors are the lifeblood of camp. You will be responsible for waking your campers in the morning and ensuring they get to bed safely at night. Whilst taking part in fun activities you will also be the one these kids look up to. So, prepare to be idolised by many and receive dozens of friendship bracelets to remind you of your Summer in America with these keen little campers.

Activity Counsellors are usually skilled and experienced in a particular activity and will directly instruct or assist with the campers. You will usually teach in your field during the day. For example, if you are a sailor expect plenty of time on the water and a wicked tan! In the evening you will normally join in with the camp activities, be it a rowdy campfire or a fantastic show on stage.

What you need to be a Camp Counsellor



18 by the 1st of June.



Love working with Kids



Stacks of Energy



Don't need to be a Student



Passion for Adventure



**Skilled in Sports, Arts, Crafts,
Outdoor Activities or Childcare**



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TYPES OF CAMP



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Special Needs

One of the most rewarding experiences you can have with AmeriCamp! Being a special needs AmeriCamper can require a slightly different skillset; patience, empathy and excellent communications skills along with a willingness to get involved. Previous experience is beneficial, but not essential as Camp Directors look for a person with a great personality who has a smile on their face whatever the situation. Typically you will be responsible for 2-6 campers and you should be prepared to work with adults as well as kids.

Traditional

This is what most people imagine when they think of doing AmeriCamp. These camps have excellent facilities along with a wide range of programmes and activities. Camp activities range from campfires and climbing walls, to the more adventurous quad-biking and off site visits.

Speciality Camp

Like traditional camps, but with a theme associated to them (e.g. Gymnastics Camp, Basketball Camp, Cheer Camps, etc.).

Underprivileged

This will be like your Traditional Camp, but the children who are invited come from lower income families. Expect a great sense of family and community at these camps.

Day Camps

These camps will be like your traditional camps or your specialty camps, but the kids come during the day and you get your evening free.

Special Requirements

Like your traditional camps, but the kids who attend have special requirements such as diabetes, hearing impairments, or ADHD.

Scout Camps

A hot favourite for anyone who was a scout or guide as a kid. These camps focus on wilderness, adventure and outdoor living, so anyone who loves the outdoor will be in for a treat. Expect fun-filled days of kayaking, mountaineering, crafts and overnight expeditions.

Faith Based

AmeriCamp has a wide range of faith-based camps for campers from a Christian or Jewish background. Some camps focus on providing the typical Summer camp experience with faith-based principles while other camps encompass faith based learning and services throughout the programme. You will not necessarily have to be religious to work at a faith camp, but a respect and understanding for other people's beliefs is essential.



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APPLICATION PROCESS



Welcome to our 3 Step Application Process, we have kept it as simple as possible whilst ensuring you have the necessary information to make your application as strong as possible. Easy as eating a #FreeTimTam

Stage 1 (1st payment of AU\$70)

Applying (Go to AmeriCamp.com.au)

Application

- Fill out online.
- Takes an hour tops.
- The more information the better.
- Note down any teaching or coaching skills you may have.
- Rank your skills, starting with your strongest.

Interview

- Done in your local area or via Skype.
- Just a way to get to know you and your skills better.

Stage 2 (2nd payment of AU\$160)

Transiting your Application to the US office

Application Video

- No more than 2 minutes.
- Show your personality and skills!
- Save it as AmeriCamp 2018.

References

- 3 references.
- Needs to come from a professional source (teachers, coaches, employers).
- Dedicated placement coordinators in America who work to match you with your perfect camp.

Stage 3 (final payment of AU\$319)

Placement

- Congratulations you have been #plACed!
- Make sure your passport is in date and has at least 12 months left on it and make sure your application details are all correct.

Third Party Costs

CRB: (AU\$50-AU\$100)

- You must now have a new CRB check carried out by AmeriCamp.

Health Check: (0-200 AU\$)

- Make sure you attend you local medical health practice to obtain a health check.

Visa and Embassy Appointment:
(AU\$160)

- You must attend a visa appointment at the American Embassy, which you can arrange through your online application. AmeriCamp staff will be on hand on the day to help you out with your documents. Make sure you book yourself into the earliest available date. Don't leave it until the last minute!

Flights (AU\$1,500 - AU\$2,000)

- We will put you in contact with our flight partners to help you get the best deal on your flights.



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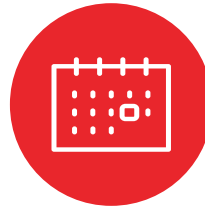
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Important information



Availability Dates

AmeriCamp runs a 9 week programme, with most camps starting around the first two weeks of June and finishing about mid August. However, the earlier you are available the better chance you have of being #plACed.



Orientation

Make sure you are available to attend an AmeriCamp orientation this is a legal training requirement. We will be running events each month so ensure your name is down! (Or else you ain't getting on that plane).



Flights

We have an incredible in house team that will provide you with quotes and help you to book your flights, all whilst giving you peace of mind that there is a 24hour support line in case you need to change your flights.



24 Hour Emergency Helpline

Obviously we hope that your Summer of a lifetime goes smoothly without a hitch, however, if you do encounter any problems we have a dedicated representative available 24 hours a day to take your calls, offer assistance and answer social media queries whatever the circumstances.



Insurance

AmeriCamp offers excellent medical insurance, which covers you for the duration of your camp contract. We recommend that you take our additional insurance to cover you for any period of travel outside camp or to cover your belongings. Never take the risk of being in the US without adequate medical insurance. It's not worth it!



TRAVEL

**YOU HAVE 30 DAYS TO TRAVEL
AFTER YOUR PLACEMENT.
USE THEM WISELY!**



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POST CAMP TRAVEL



Day 1 Meet your fellow AmeriCampers this afternoon as you check into our awesome accommodation from 2pm.

Day 2 We'll spend the day checking out some of New York's most iconic attractions. With our included visit to the One World Observatory, you can visit the tallest building in the western hemisphere. Take a sobering but important visit to the Ground Zero memorial – you'll also have the chance to visit the museum. Afterwards, we will join the locals and jump on the Staten Island ferry. This will give you the opportunity to see the NYC skyline from the water and also see Lady Liberty up close and personal.

Day 3 Get your cameras ready as we tick off some more New York highlights. Your TL will orientate you to Times Square and into Central Park. Grab yourself some lunch from one of the many food vendors. Other things to do include the museum of Modern art, the NYC zoo or use your metro pass to head out to Brooklyn. Your TL can advise you on some of the best places to get the hottest tickets in town for a Broadway show.

Day 4 Today is yours to see New York at your own pace. Jump on board with one of our amazing optional activities including a Central Park Bike tour, TV & Movie tour. If not, spend the day on 5th Avenue and shop until you drop! Tonight, we'll reconvene for a farewell dinner followed by some drinks to round off our NYC adventure.

Day 5 Prepare to pack up your I Heart NYC hoodies, after breakfast this tour is calling 'it's a wrap'. If you it's too soon to say goodbye to your AmeriCamp buddies, why not spend an extra couple of days in the city or jump on a trip down the east coast to Miami!

What's Included?

- Your personal tour leader (who has exceptional local knowledge, and who will ensure you get the best experience possible)
- 4 Nights Accommodation (Breakfast Included)
- Farewell Dinner
- 7 Day NYC Metro Pass
- New York One World Tower





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