#1 **EDUCATION**

*Teach lessons that last a lifetime.* Education is the Peace Corp’s largest program area. Volunteers play an important role in creating links among schools, parents, and communities by working in elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools as math, science, conversational English, and resource teachers or as early grade reading and literacy teacher trainers. Volunteers also develop libraries and technology resource centers.

*If you choose Education, take any 3 courses within the following areas (the 3 do not have to be in same area of Education):*

- Elementary, Secondary or Special Education
- English or Linguistics
- TEFL/TESL
- Math
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Any Physical or Biological Science

**Recommended courses:**

- **Elementary, Secondary or Special Education**
  - EDL 200 - A Global Perspective on Schooling
  - AED 405A - Principles of Career and Technical Education
  - AED 462 - Curriculum Development
  - AED 493B - Internship - Student Teaching

- **English or Linguistics**
  - ENGL 101 - First-Year Composition
  - ENGL 201 - Introduction to the Writing of Creative Nonfiction
  - ENGL 210 - Introduction to the Writing of Fiction
  - AED 497F - Structured English Immersion Teaching Methodology
  - AED 497G - Instructional Advances in Career and Technical Education

- **TEFL/TESL**
  - ENGL 107 - English Composition for ESL Students
  - AED 497F - Structured English Immersion Teaching Methodology

- **Math**
  - MATH 109C - Applied College Algebra with Data Analysis
  - MATH 111 - Plane Trigonometry
  - MATH 122A - Functions for Calculus

- **Computer Science**
  - CSC 110 - Introduction to Computer Programming I
  - CSC 250 - Essential Computing for the Sciences
  - CSC 337 - Web Programming
  - CSC 352 - Systems Programming and Unix
  - CSC 453 - Compilers and Systems Software
o Engineering
CHEE 202 - Elements of Chemical Engineering II
CHEE 203 - Chemical Engineering Heat Transfer and Fluid Flow
AME 301 - Engineering Analysis
AME 320 - Aerodynamics

o Any Physical or Biological Science
ECOL 182R - Introductory Biology II
ENVS 260 - Environmental Studies: Ideas and Institutions
ECOL 335 - Evolutionary Biology
ACBS 405 - Principles of Livestock Health Management
AGTM 422 - Communicating Knowledge in Agriculture and the Life Sciences
ECOL 406R - Conservation Biology

And build 50 hours of related field experience through an activity such as:

- Teaching in one of these or a similar form: in a classroom, with a community outreach organization, or in a formal tutoring capacity
  - The subject of the teaching may be English as a Foreign/Second Language, special education, drama, or a STEM subject

Peace Corps Tip!

Nearly two-thirds of Peace Corps Volunteers serve in Education or Health. Coursework and meaningful experience in one of these areas—especially teaching English as a second/foreign language—produce some of the strongest candidates.