

## CLS VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Chumkriel Language School (CLS).

We value our volunteers highly and aim for a cooperative and enriching experience for both our volunteers and for our school community. Volunteers help our staff learn new skills and help them increase their confidence and abilities.

We trust you have read our Volunteer Information <https://chumkriellanguageschool.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

### Volunteering main points

- The main role for volunteers at CLS is to support and assist (but not replace) our Cambodian teachers in the classroom.
- Volunteers work alongside our English speaking Cambodian staff in a support role, either working with the class as a whole or with smaller groups. As such, fluency in English is a requirement as classes are taught in English.
- Our students really enjoy meeting volunteers, and they especially like reading books and conversing in English. These tasks are ideal for volunteers. Students and staff also appreciate the cultural exchange, as well as other skills that volunteers bring.
- Volunteers can help our teachers with sport and outdoor education, art and craft, gardening and growing vegetables, library and IT activities.
- A minimum two-week commitment is required for classroom assistance volunteering.

Other points to be mindful of:

- Please apply at least three months before your proposed arrival date to allow us to consider your placement.
- Please be mindful of school holidays and Cambodian public holidays and traditional festivals, when the school may be closed for extended periods of time.
- Please familiarise yourself with Cambodian culture and customs, for example [here](#) ('An introduction to Khmer culture and language' our website).
- Acceptance of volunteers is at the full discretion of our principal, Mr Thy. Please complete and submit this document to Mr Thy: [clskampot@gmail.com](mailto:clskampot@gmail.com)
- An interview via video link (Zoom) with Mr Thy and a board member is mandatory.

### Personal Details

Full name (as appears on passport)	
Preferred name	
Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
E-mail address	
Proposed volunteering period	

What is your reason for volunteering at our school?

What do you hope to achieve by volunteering at our school?

Especially for longer-term volunteers: how will you be able to support yourself during the time you are a volunteer (financially, accommodation)?

What else do you want to see and do during your time in Cambodia?

### Skills and Area of Interest/Professional Interest

English language / Art and craft activities / Sport and outdoor education / Gardening & Landscaping / Library / Administration / IT / Grant writing / Other.

Please provide details below:

## Volunteering Experience

Have you volunteered in Cambodia before? If Yes: Where and with which organisation?

Have you worked with children before? If Yes: Where and in what capacity?

Have you taught English as a second language (ESL) or as an additional language or dialect (EAL/D) before?  
If Yes: Where and in what capacity? Ages of students taught?

## Referees

Please provide contact details of two people who know you well enough to give comment about your suitability for this role. They could be your teachers, employers, or simply non-personal references.

Referees:

The following further documentation will be required if your application is accepted:

- a completed Police Check called a National Police Certificate (NPC). This document is commonly used Australia-wide for employment, working and volunteering with children or vulnerable people.
- If you are not Australian you are required to provide an equivalent recent Police Clearance from your country of residence
- photo copy of your valid passport
- Police clearance
- Health/Travel Insurance
- Photo copy of passport.

If there are any changes to your plans, please let us know as early as possible.

Please contact [clskampot@gmail.com](mailto:clskampot@gmail.com) if you have any questions or concerns.