

# DEGREE+ VOLUNTARY WORK



Placement list 2023/2024

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## **Siggiewi Rowing Club**

The Siggiewi Rowing Club is a non-profit sports voluntary organisation.

Placements include support in training sessions, particularly supporting individuals with physical, visual or intellectual impairments, as well as providing support in some of our outreach activities, etc.

[www.siggiewi-rowing.com](http://www.siggiewi-rowing.com)

## **Malta Classics Association**

The Malta Classics Association is dedicated to the promotion and support of the study of Classics in Malta and abroad. Voluntary work with MCA would involve facilitating MCA events as well as team meetings.

For further information about the proposed plan of voluntary work available, please contact [voluntary.degreeplus@um.edu.mt](mailto:voluntary.degreeplus@um.edu.mt)

# **Association for Abandoned Animals**

The Association for Abandoned Animals aims to rescue and provide shelter for abandoned animals. The sanctuary is open everyday from 7am till 3:30pm. Work at the sanctuary includes cleaning, laying down new bedding, giving medications to animals and taking them to the vet. Volunteers can also help with rescues, as well as caring for the animals at the sanctuary.

<https://aaamalta.com>

## *Address:*

AAA Sanctuary, Hal Far Road, Birzebbugia

## *Directions:*

AAA is located 50 metres before the Freeport roundabout, a white building on the right. One can catch the 119 or X4 buses and stop at the bus stage named Tal-Papa.

## **St Jean Antide Foundation**

SJAF is a non-profit organisation which helps to provide social support to individuals and families who find themselves marginalised and in difficult life circumstances. SJAF offers many volunteering opportunities including roles as a learning support tutor, befriender and mentor. For more information about volunteering opportunities at SJAF, please contact [voluntary.degreeplus@um.edu.mt](mailto:voluntary.degreeplus@um.edu.mt)

## **Dopo Scuola**

Dopo Scuola is an after-school programme run by the Missionaries of Charity in Bormla. Volunteers would be required to dedicate a few hours per week to help young children with their homework, under the guidance of the programme's coordinators.

Volunteers are ideally able to help out throughout the whole year.

## **Victim Support Malta**

This NGO aims to support victims of crime by providing support to help victims overcome trauma, information and support regarding criminal procedures, as well as practical assistance.

Students reading for a Masters in Psychology or other related fields can volunteer at VSM.

<https://victimsupport.org.mt>

## **Spiritual Development in Schools Unit**

The Spiritual Development in Schools Unit (SDS) within the Archdiocese of Malta aims to support schools in fostering spiritual development and pastoral care.

Volunteers will be tasked with content creation, simple videos and powerpoint presentations as well as help in SDS activities for school students.

A volunteering opportunity for assisting at the Seminary Library is also available.

Responsible for supervision: Fr Reuben Gauci

<https://sds.mt/about/>



## **Centro Astalli**

Centro Astalli is a centre in Rome under the auspices of JRS Italy. It aims to accompany and serve refugees, asylum seekers and the poor. Volunteers can help out at the soup kitchen either by cooking or distributing food. Volunteers can also help by teaching English to refugees and distributing food to homeless people.

Volunteers are required to volunteer for a minimum of one week. Accommodation is also available on demand.

For further information, interested students can contact the University Chaplaincy.

## **Blue Door Education**

Blue Door Education is a non-profit organisation which offers literacy and English language classes for refugees, migrants and asylum seekers.

Tasks include setting up the classrooms, assisting teachers with lesson preparations, meeting and greeting students at the door, registering new students, maintaining student databases, as well as ensuring the premises are left clean and tidy for others to use. Students with CELTA or TEFL qualifications, or those who aspire to become teachers can also help with assistant teaching duties.

<https://www.bluedooredu.org>

## **University Chaplaincy**

Students can help out at the University Chaplaincy by animating the Liturgy on weekdays and weekends. Students can also help out with our Children's Ministry, helping to animate the Gospel for those children who attend mass at the University Chaplaincy on weekends. Volunteers can also help with our activities on Campus and DMM, as well as help with manning our Wednesday Lunches initiative.

# **Equal Partners Foundation**

Equal Partners Foundation is a non-profit foundation supporting children and adults with disability and learning difficulties.

EPF follows the 'social model' for inclusivity and seeks to support people with disabilities and learning difficulties toward a more independent and meaningful life within an inclusive society.

Interested students can help out in their community projects, help out during group sessions, shadow some of their programmes, as well as, carry out administrative tasks such as writing of documents, posts and blogs for their website.

<https://www.equalpartners.org.mt>

## **Malta Human Rights Education Centre**

MHREC is a voluntary association which helps to disseminate human rights ideals and principles as well as educate the public on anti-discrimination and equality. The MHREC website aims to report on public landmark human rights cases and to shed light on different issues related to human rights.

The 'Court View' section of the MHREC's website aims to report and inform the public on landmark human rights cases on a regular basis in order to bring to light particular human rights issues in relation to the local situation, as well as, to provide an opportunity for reflection and discussion.

This opportunity aims to attract undergraduate students who are interested in working within the voluntary and social responsibility sector. Participants will be contributing to legal research and assisting in the publishing of legal articles on the MHREC website.

<https://maltahrec.com/aboutus/>

## **Migrant Women Association Malta**

MWAM aims to support migrant, refugees and asylum-seeking women who fall within vulnerable groups. They offer professional, organisational and emotional advice to those in need whilst promoting personal empowerment.

One of the projects offered by MWAM is 'Sahha'. This project helps to promote integration and empowerment through employment. It also allows migrant women to share their love for cooking and meet regularly so as to prepare home-cooked meals.

MWAM is looking for a Logistics Coordinator and a 'Sahha' Coordinator to help out on a voluntary basis. Students interested in these posts need to be able to volunteer around 30 hours weekly. MWAM are also in need of casual volunteers to help out during their events.

<https://migrantwomenmalta.org/what-we-do/>

## **Flimkien ghal Ambjent Ahjar**

FAA is a non-profit organisation committed to preserving Malta's environmental and cultural heritage. This NGO also campaigns for the improvement of environmental policies and planning. It also carries out eco-projects to help initiate change.

Students can help out in various ways. Duties include uploading of website articles (requiring basic IT skills), book-keeping, heritage research, development planning issues, translations, online media monitoring, editing English texts, health and safety concerns, speaking to groups and schools, artwork and design, and photography.

<http://faa.org.mt/homepage/>

## **Agenzija Sapport**

Agenzija Sapport facilitates voluntary work experiences with persons with disability.

Students can help out with the Sharing Lives service, by offering their time to support persons with disability within the community. This provides an opportunity for persons with disability to take part in activities and overcome social exclusion by developing meaningful relationships. This helps to foster dialogue and collaboration between persons with disability and volunteers.

Interested students can volunteer by offering their time and resources to create activities or events for persons with disabilities.

<https://sapport.gov.mt/en/Pages/Sharing-Lives.aspx>



## **AWAS**

AWAS seeks to implement national legislation and policies regarding the welfare of refugees and asylum seekers. AWAS helps to provide information regarding employment, housing, health, welfare and education and government schemes related to resettlement voluntary returns.

Volunteers come together to come up with innovative ideas and events for the benefit of all service users.

Students can help out by giving basic English lessons, Art sessions, organise craft sessions as well as sports and outdoor activities for children. Students who can offer other types of sessions can also volunteer.

<https://homeaffairs.gov.mt/en/MHAS-Departments/awas/Pages/AWAS.aspx>

## **VolServ**

Volserv aims at developing and organising voluntary health services to support patients and relatives at the main general hospital. It helps to promote health in the community through non-medical services.

Interested students can volunteer at Mater Dei through the VolServ programme. They offer various roles at the Outpatient Department, such as assisting staff, patients and their families. Students can also help with the manning of the trolley service offering tea and coffee to patients.

<https://www.sosmalta.org/volserv?l=1>

## **Paulo Freire Institute Malta**

The Paulo Freire Institute in Zejtun was set up by the Jesuits to help with literacy and community development. PFI offers a reading club for young children which volunteers can help out with.

## **Din I-Art Helwa**

Din I-Art Helwa is a non-governmental organisation which aims to protect Malta's natural environment and cultural heritage. They protect and safeguard numerous sites around Malta. Volunteers can help with their tree-planting initiative.

<https://dinlarthelwa.org>

## **Azzjoni Kattolika Maltija**

Azzjoni Kattolika is an organisation of lay people involved within the church. Their focus of work is spiritual and social formation of youths and adults.

Voluntary work with AKM involves:

- Archive maintenance for 'Lehen' which is the oldest newspaper written in Maltese
- Help with a Training Course project for youth leaders. This project is financed through Erasmus+ and is being organised by ZAK and other youth organisations around Europe
- Help during a Youth Training course
- Maintenance of photo archives at AKM

<https://church.mt/catholic-movements/malta-catholic-action/>

## **Malta Food Bank Foundation**

MFBF provides 7-day non-perishable food packs to those in need of immediate help.

Students can volunteer by helping out with the running of the MFBF facebook page as well as helping out with donations, hands-on volunteering and any other activities carried out by MFBF.

<https://www.foodbanklifeline.com/about-us>

# The Mosaic Project

With colour, texture and recyclable materials, a monumental piece of mosaic will be implemented to symbolise the citizen's contribution to the community. It fosters creativity, freedom of artistic expression and community spirit through the mosaic art medium.

UNESCO's Sustainable Development Goals will be addressed in this project, to reduce, reuse and recycle materials to embellish the community's open spaces.

<https://sites.google.com/view/communityspaces/home>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=68-0dzzzeF4>