

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT FOR UN YOUTH

UN Youth is opening expressions of interest to motivated young people with a passion for all things tech, to volunteer to join our National Operations Team in a technology-focused role.

Overview

Part of our National Operations Team, you will be tasked with deploying and maintaining a wide array of digital services to assist and support with the implementation of UN Youth's mission to inspire global citizens. You'll be responsible for the reliable maintenance and upkeep of these services. Uptime and availability is key for our large volunteer-base, who work on a range of devices with different needs at different times.

In addition, review and continuous improvement of our technology holdings is a key strategic responsibility of this role, in cooperation with the National Operations Officer and the National Executive. We're not just looking for someone who can keep the lights on, but for someone who looks for new ways that technology can be used to better serve the purposes of UN Youth. It is hoped that the successful volunteer will ultimately transfer into the National Operations Team – Technology Manager role.

Application Process

If you are interested in this position, please fill out the online application form [here](#).

Accompanying this please provide:

- A CV;
- A Cover Letter outlining your experience, why you would be suitable for the role, and why you would like the role.

Any questions can be directed to Josh Walker (joshua.walker@unyouth.org.nz), the current Technology Manager, or Bokyong Mun (president@unyouth.org.nz) the current National President.

Applications close 11 November at 11.59 pm.

Who should apply?

We encourage expressions of interest from people who demonstrate ability in the following areas:

- **Technical:** Previous experience in the required skills below is essential in order to be effective in this role. Unfortunately, UN Youth does not have the capacity to train inexperienced volunteers on these essential areas.
- **Communication:** You will be involved in liaising with a number of members and volunteers. You'll also report to the National Executive and, from time-to-time, National Council.
- **Organisation:** You'll need to be comfortable managing a diverse set of services and the interaction between them.

In addition, expressions are sought only from individuals no longer attending secondary school, and are either attending a tertiary institution or are under the age of 25.

Why apply?

This is an amazing opportunity for a number of reasons, some of which are detailed below:

Professional Development

Through this involvement with UN Youth, you will gain skills and experiences that will benefit you no matter what your course of study is or future career goals are. You will be supported in this role and gain a great deal from the expertise of other Volunteers you will work with.

Community

The friends and social networks that Volunteers gain from UN Youth are a big part of what brings many people back. This role is a great opportunity to meet new, like-minded people or otherwise continue working with some of the incredible people you already know!

Rewarding

The role will be a great deal of work, but it is also very rewarding. You will have the opportunity to implement new initiatives, work with awesome people, and form great memories doing so.

Service

If you have participated in UN Youth events in the past, you will know just how educational and transformative they can be. This role is a fantastic way to give back to the organisation and, even if you have not been involved in UN Youth before, it is a way to contribute to the wider community through youth development.

Challenge

This role is a unique and significant undertaking that will draw upon all your previous experience and test the limits of what you're capable of – perfect for someone looking to extend or challenge themselves.

About UN Youth

Throughout Aotearoa, UN Youth equips young people to become informed, engaged, and critical New Zealanders who understand their global context and the connections between the local and the global. Our organisation provides young people with the necessary educational and social skills to excel. Annually, over 2000 New Zealanders from Northland to Southland attend a UN Youth event.

We are a registered charity run entirely by young volunteers with no paid staff. Our volunteers devote hours to educating young New Zealanders as they bring together valuable experience in education, communications, logistics and youth development. We form the youth arm of the United Nations Association of New Zealand (UNA NZ), delivering one of the many United Nations Youth programmes around the world.

Role – Skills and Experience

Required skills

These skills will be required and should be able to be demonstrated by the interested individual.

- Some full-stack web development experience, with a focus on PHP and a strong HTML/CSS/JavaScript ability;
- Basic DNS and domain name management experience;
- Ability to quickly diagnose and isolate tech issues.
- Ability to interpret documentation and system processes and apply this to issue resolution.

Advantageous skills

These skills will be advantageous and highly regarded.

- WordPress theme and plugin development;
- Experience with G Suite system and user administration;
- Experienced use of CloudFlare;
- Experienced implementation of the Stripe API for high-volume payment processing;
- Familiarity with and use of DigitalOcean products, including virtual servers (Droplets) and object storage (Spaces);

Desired skills

These skills are great additions and will be used in this role, but are not explicitly required.

- Some WordPress core contribution;
- Experience with the Roots application development framework (Trellis and Bedrock);
- Experience with front-end tooling and project build systems (Composer);
- Experience with Vagrant and Ansible for local development;
- Functional Git use and experience;
- Some UNIX sysadmin experience;
- Functional use and implementation of SAML/SSO for identity management (our identity provider is G Suite).