



International Internship Program in Peru

Bridges has been working in Peru since 2002 and at Colegio Pukllasunchis in the town of Cusco since 2007. Set high in the Andes Mountains, the school is supported, in large part, by Swiss Rotary. Over the years, our relationships with Pukllansunchis and Cusco have grown stronger and deeper each year. In this internship, you will have the opportunity to be a part of Bridges highly valued partnership with Pukllansunchis and Cusco, while experiencing Peruvian culture and building lifelong friendships of your own.



Ninety percent of Pukllansunchis students are on scholarship. The school community is devoted to supporting students from the surrounding villages where the indigenous Quechua language is spoken. The school has a large on-site garden, with an extensive recycling and composting program. They participate in the ANIA's Tierra Ninos Project (<http://www.mundodeania.org/eng/index.html>), learning to cultivate and share the earth's riches. This remarkable school has an open, student-centered agenda in which teachers and students share the responsibility for learning.

In after-school workshops, students learn to build furniture, make paper and weave, among other skills. Pukllasunchis is a dynamic and exciting environment to teach in. As a teaching intern, you will work with small groups of middle and high school students, all with amazing stories to share.

We have recently begun a partnership, also in Cusco, with the Universidad Nacional de San Antonio Abad de Cusco-Programa Hatun Nan which supports indigenous students (Quechuas, Aymaras and Amazónicos) to succeed at the university (<http://hatunnan.unsaac.edu.pe/>). While teaching literacy in Spanish, they promote the use and preservation of first languages. Bridges' interns will have the opportunity to work with these students while living in Cusco.



Bridges supervisors in each location will serve as the liaisons between our interns and the community. Bridges staff in Seattle will be available to address program needs. It is expected that students will be entirely responsible for themselves while engaged in non-internship related activities (see "International Internship Policies and Responsibilities" for more information about requirements and responsibilities).

Bridges Peru Internship costs \$6,000.00 (not including airfare). Bridges covers the following: in-country travel related to internship, travel insurance, housing, cell phone, meal stipend, local transportation related to internship, small discretionary fund, language classes, management fees and concurrent enrollment fees at select universities. (Additional details will be sent upon application.)