

Help us by  
speaking your  
own language!



*If you speak a non-European language,  
we need your help for 3 weeks*



## What is the Centre for Linguistics, Translation and Literacy at Redcliffe College?

At Redcliffe, we provide cross-cultural training for students of many nationalities, many of whom serve with Christian organisations around the world. As part of our Centre for Linguistics, Translation and Literacy, we train students in techniques for use in situations where there may be no language school or other assistance in learning the native language.

Redcliffe College has a distinctly Christian ethos, but all are welcome to volunteer to be a language speaker, irrespective of their faith.

## What will I be doing?

On two of our courses, we run what we call Language Projects. These take place in August and November. During these projects, students work with a native speaker of a language completely unknown to them. This is where you come in.

You will be a Language Speaker volunteer, and the students will work with you as their learning resource.

You will work alongside a trained facilitator with a group of up to eight students. Each student will want to learn similar things. They will do this by asking you questions, listening to you and then copying you.

It is important to emphasise that you will not be acting as their teacher, and there is no need for you to prepare for classes. Just come to the classes ready to speak your own language naturally and conversationally.

## What will my day look like?

You will usually join a class for two to three hours each day, and spend time with the group during this time, which will include a coffee break.

We expect that most volunteers are living in the local area, and we will pay travel expenses of up to £100 for the three week period.

Redcliffe is located in the grounds of Gloucester Cathedral. We recommend using public transport to travel to the College, as there is no on-site parking.

*“So rewarding to make new friends and watch them learning to speak my own language back to me after just 3 weeks!”*

Narineh, Language Speaker

## What about my immigration and employment status?

I am a full-time student with time available during those weeks.

*You may volunteer as a Language Speaker*

I am a European Union national.

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I am currently unemployed and drawing benefits.

*You will need to inform the benefit agency that you are taking on voluntary work for three weeks*

I am a visitor to the UK and cannot work.

*We would need to check your immigration status to ensure that such voluntary work is permitted*

## How do I apply?

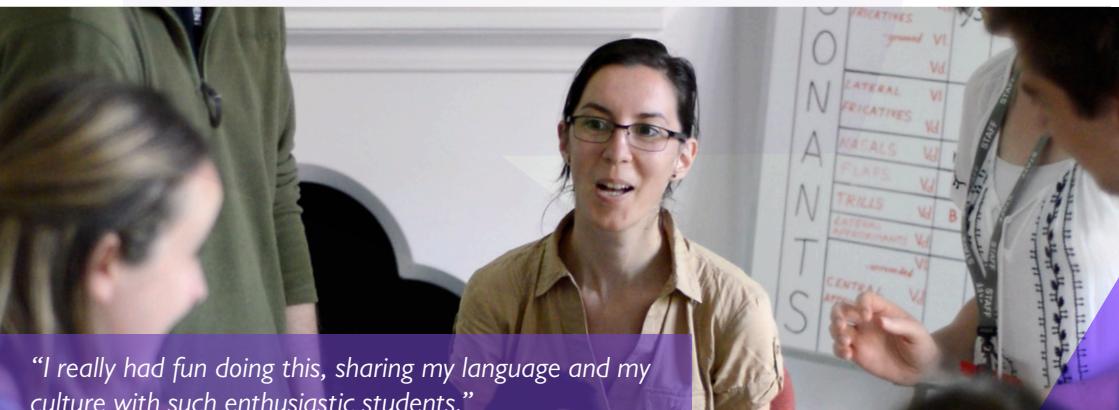
Contact the CLTL Administrator, Ruth Bull. Call (01452) 308097 or email [rbull@redcliffe.ac.uk](mailto:rbull@redcliffe.ac.uk) to begin a conversation about volunteering as a Language Speaker resource for our students.

Thank you for considering helping us in this unique way.

# We are looking for non-European language speakers to volunteer with our students for three weeks each summer and autumn.

Do you speak a language from Africa, Asia, or any other non-Indo-European language, such as Finnish or Hungarian?

You won't have to plan anything or teach anything; but you can help us just by speaking in your mother tongue, for our students to listen and analyse.



*"I really had fun doing this, sharing my language and my culture with such enthusiastic students."*

Hajni, Language Speaker

Redcliffe's Centre for Linguistics, Translation and Literacy is run in partnership with Wycliffe Bible Translators and SIL International.



## Can you help?

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