

## ACT SUMMER

### **Practicum / Volunteer & Service Learning Work opportunities:**

ACT provides Practicum / Volunteer & Service Learning Work opportunities for full time and study abroad students throughout the calendar year. Students are able to engage in hands-on learning through for credit and not for credit options offered by the Business Department, Humanities and Social Sciences Department, and the Student Services Office.

Options for Summer students are:

#### **Social Science 399: Service Learning Practicum (3 credits, Fall & Summer)**

The course is comprised of a combination of theory (in-class component) and real-life case study projects. Having a service-learning character, this course enables students to experience community engagement through placements and the implementation of projects in local community NGOs, agencies and organizations. Some organizations for student placements provide services related to healthcare, education, environmental conservation and citizenship & social activism. A hands-on approach facilitates the collaborative efforts of students of various ages, backgrounds and interests and enables a shared experience and understanding of place and community participation among young people.

#### **Service Learning (Spring I, Spring II, Summer & Fall, not for credit)**

The Service Learning Program is designed to offer students the opportunity to gain work experience through volunteerism in the Greek environment. Much like an internship, students report to the site on a daily or weekly basis and have specific responsibilities assigned to them throughout the period. Students are able to select from over 40 different positions that fit their interests and schedule. ACT's Student Service Office operates one of the largest community service programs in Greece. As the first post-secondary institution in Greece to introduce service and community programs to such a large percentage of its student body, ACT collaborates with over 40 NGOs, providing students with the unique opportunity to volunteer and give back to the community while learning about the local culture, history, customs and economy. These programs reflect the community-focused mission that the institution as a whole ascribes to. Volunteer opportunities are available for students who are interested in developing or exercising skills in an environment tailored to their interests and studies. Certificates of recognition are provided to students for their work. See [ACT's Service Learning link here](#).