What is it?

‘Senior Volunteers on the Camino’ is a voluntary action programme that seeks to attract people over 55 years old to the Camino de Santiago in order to encourage the transfer of knowledge, enhance their life experiences and offer them new enriching social channels in the university environment.

Who organizes?

The Compostela Group of Universities (CGU) within the framework of its Compostela Academy on the Camino.

The Direction General of Youth, Participation and Volunteering of the Xunta de Galicia under the Order of June 3, 2019 co-finances this programme.

Who can participate?

- Galician citizens or foreigners settled in Galicia.
- People over 55 years old.
- Their link to the university world (studies, work, activities, management, teaching, etc.) is valued.

When and where?

The volunteer actions will take place in Santiago de Compostela (Galicia, ES) from 1 October to 31 October 2019.

Placements

A maximum of 8 placements are available.
Voluntary actions

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<th>Package A</th>
<th>‘Transfer of knowledge’</th>
<th>To share technical aspects of their professional branch and to exchange knowledge and experiences with the participants of the CGU’s activities in October (talks, mentoring sessions, dynamization of groups, etc.).</th>
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<td>Package B</td>
<td>‘Promotion of the Camino’</td>
<td>To collaborate in the promotion and visibility of the Camino and its values by contributing from their professional field, and to accompany the participants of the CGU’s activities in October during their stays in Compostela.</td>
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<td>Package C</td>
<td>‘Walking the Camino’</td>
<td>To accompany CGU’s pilgrims on the Camino, guiding them from their professional branch (exchanging experiences, debating and commenting on aspects of the Camino they pass through, etc.).</td>
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Volunteers will devote at least **3 hours per day** for one month to their tasks, as much as possible. If less than 3 hours per day are done, the daily hours will be summed to complete a 3-hour day.

Coverages

Volunteers will receive **5 Euros per day** for local transport and subsistence costs. They will also be covered by civil liability and accident insurance.

Acknowledgements

There will be an introductory session. Volunteers will be recognized with a diploma at the end of the programme.
How to apply?

Sending before September 28th to grupo.compostela@usc.es:

- The online application form (here).
- 1 copy of the national identity document (DNI) or foreigner's identity number (NIE), as appropriate.
- 1 brief curriculum vitae.
- Accreditation of basic knowledge of the host language.

Selection of candidates

The order of entry will be taken into account as long as the requirements are met.

Volunteers will be selected in accordance with article 14 of Law 45/2015, of 14 October, on Volunteering, without any discrimination on grounds of sex, sexual identity, sexual orientation, nationality, racial or ethnic origin, religion, ideological or trade union convictions, disability, age, or any other personal or social condition or circumstance, in accordance with the aims or objectives of the entity, nature and characteristics of the task to be carried out and the rules established in its internal operating statutes. Likewise, gender parity shall be ensured, in accordance with Organic Law 3/2007, of 22 March, for the effective equality of women and men.

Announcement of beneficiaries

The list of beneficiaries will be published on the GCU website (www.gcompostela.org).

Beneficiaries will be notified by email and will have 10 days to accept or reject (in writing, at grupo.compostela@usc.es) their participation. Once the deadline has expired without receiving news, the waiting list will be used and the process will be repeated.

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