

Who can participate?

Everyone from the age of 18 to 26 can take part in FJD. Compulsory school attendance must be fulfilled, but special education is not required. A sole condition of project participation is a commitment to restoration of monuments for the whole year.

General conditions

FJD starts on 1st September and lasts one year, till 31st August next year.

FJD is a full-time occupation, every participant is entitled to 26 days of holidays.

Pocket money & Co.

Participants receive:

- monthly pocket money and maintenance costs,
- extra fund for apartment,
- free participation in 7 seminars.

Also, social and medical insurance is fully covered by ijgd.



FJD offers various opportunities

- theoretical and practical familiarization with matters of monuments' restoration while working in teams,
- verification of your skills and gaining some new ones,
- meeting interesting young people,
- assistance and help in questions of future profession,
- ways of voluntary work in community and society

Upon agreement with your school, FJD can be considered as a practical placement.

If you are interested, contact the ijgd office, and you will get detailed information on the project. It's also worth to visit our website – www.ijgd.de. On request, we send the application forms. German is the main language of communication in our project.

We're waiting for you!

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Volunteer Year in Monument Preservation



Receiving Culture

Jugendbauhütten -
A Project of Deutsche Stiftung
Denkmalschutz organised by ijgd

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Hello!

What is FJD?

A Voluntary Year in Monument Preservation and Care, "Freiwilliges Jahr in der Denkmalpflege" (FJD), offers you the possibility to learn about a wide range of works involving preservation of antiques, and determine your plans on future with Youth Masons' Lodge, "Jugendbauhütte".

Work of volunteers should positively affect the consciousness of the local community to monuments and cultural heritage. During the Voluntary Year you are part of a special team which you have chosen by yourself. Organized seminars lead to gaining experience essential for professional orientation as well as for private sphere. The organizers of "Jugendbauhütte", German Foundation for Monument Protection, "Deutsche Stiftung Denkmalschutz", are supervised by International Youth Community Services, "Internationale Jugendgemeinschaftsdienste" – ijgd.

What kind of workplaces do we offer?

- museums and cultural institutions,
- archeological institutions and organizations involved in the preservation of historic ground and gardens (e.g. castle gardens),
- crafts' and building firms (carpentry, masonry, processing of natural stones etc.).



- restoration of monuments,
- monument preservation authorities,
- architectural and planning offices, such as research institutes.

We try to prepare miscellaneous tasks for monuments' protection so you will maximally benefit from participation in FJD. If you decide to take part in the voluntary year, we will provide skilled staff's custody.

Seminars

In each cycle of FJD there are in total 35 days (7 weeks) of seminars, during which the participants learn, work and live together. These seminars give the capability of learning and developing your strong points as well as your passions. Besides, they enable an exchange of experience with other participants and they lead you in choosing professional orientation through proper pedagogical approach.

During workshops participants learn to deal with:

- ancient craftsman's techniques (like blacksmith, stucco and clay sculpturing) in theory and practice,
- constructing using natural materials (natural paint, ecological thermal insulation),
- lectures concerning construction styles, implemented with thematic excursions,
- archeology,
- protection of antiques, restorer's methods.

The participants take an active part in the organization of the seminars. Attendance is compulsory, the seminars are regarded as working hours.



Jugendbauhütte – Who stands behind it?

Internationale Jugendgemeinschaftsdienste (ijgd) (International Youth Community Services)

ijgd is a non-governmental organisation of international youth work. ijgd collects no charges within their social activity. Since its foundation in 1949 they enable young people a work in favor of society. ijgd also holds international workcamps and youths' seminars. Since 1983 they organize Voluntary Year of Social Service (Freiwilliges Soziales Jahr - FSJ), since 1990 - the Voluntary Year of Ecological Service (Freiwilliges Ökologisches Jahr - FÖJ) and since 1995 - European Voluntary Service (Europäischer Freiwilligendienst - EVS).

Every year, ijgd mediates in finding various workplaces for about 5000 young people from different countries in different voluntary services.



Deutsche Stiftung Denkmalschutz (DSD) (German Foundation for Monument Protection)

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As a private initiative, DSD comes with the goal of protecting endangered cultural monuments, promoting the idea of monument care and preservation with the aim of winning over the commitment of as many young people as possible. First "Jugendbauhütte" was founded in 1999, in Saxony-Anhalt, then another eight in Hesse, North Rhine-Westphalia, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Saxony, Thuringia, Brandenburg/ Berlin, Bavaria and Lower Saxony – since the very beginning, the "Jugendbauhütte" was meant for the young people.

DSD runs all of the "Jugendbauhütte" in co-operation with ijgd.

Which tasks does ijgd take over?

We are contact partner for institutions/ firms offering a workplace on one side and applicants on the other side. We find workplaces for you and help you to make your choice. We regulate the working conditions by establishing an agreement between the applicant and the institution/firm; in addition, we can give advice on formal and financial matters. We guarantee pedagogic assistance throughout the year, e.g. by organizing seminars and visiting the workplaces.

