

SWIHDR's Student Brown Bag Seminar:

Post-Peace Corps

How service impacts life at home

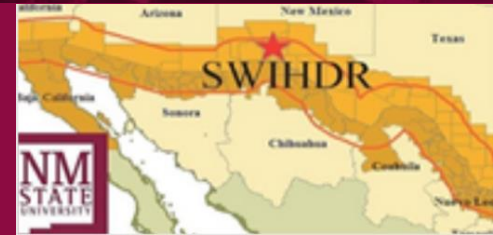
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What kind of work did you do while you were in the Peace Corps, and with what communities?



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Peace Corps experience

- **Youth in Development Coordinator '16-'18**
 - Aldea Acul, Nebaj, Quiché
- **Peace Corps Volunteer Leader, YID '19**
 - PC Guatemala Main Office



Youth participate in extra-curricular Arts-based self-esteem building workshop



International day of World Peace the arts-based youth group participated in a rock painting activity to help spread peace and friendship in the community



Students work together in team building activities



Students compete in interactive learning opportunities with a relay race



Students work together in team building station



Relay race under way!

- **Life Skills Curriculum**
 - Leadership, decision making, goal setting, team building, etc.
 - Sexual and reproductive health
 - Mental health
 - **Volunteer and Counterpart trainings**

 - **MRE, Media, Curriculum Committees**
 - **Curriculum Design, Common Hope & PC Guate**
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What are some parallels between your experiences in the Peace Corps with what you are doing now or planning to do in the future?



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Parallels



Participatory Action for Community
Analysis

Asset Based Community Development
(ABCD)

Culturally-informed Practices

Trauma-informed Practices

What Public Health or Social Issues in the region/area you feel suitable to address based off experiences in the Peace Corps?



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Areas for future work/research...

- Border Health Studies
 - human capital and social capital
 - NGOs/non-profit partnerships
- Youth Programming
 - outdoor, cost-effective, specialized training
 - outdoor classrooms
 - self-esteem/resilience building programs
- Policy work
 - advocating for funding for grassroots level work



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