

Call for Volunteers
for the 2010 International Olympiad of Informatics
August 14-21, 2010, University of Waterloo

Overview:

The IOI (International Olympiad of Informatics) is a week-long event for secondary school students that involves a large-scale computing competition and exposure to the cultural and social aspects of the host country, which is Canada in 2010. Approximately 600 participants from over 80 countries will be attending. We are looking for volunteers to help out in many areas during the competition.

During the week, volunteers will have the opportunity to meet and interact with peers from around the world and experience several excursions, including Canada's Wonderland, Niagara Falls, as well as some local excursions.

All volunteers will be able to receive recognition for their volunteer time (for use toward the Community Involvement requirement for Secondary School Graduation).

All transportation costs, admissions to excursions and meals during volunteer times are covered by the IOI 2010 Committee.

Specific Roles:

We are looking for volunteers to help in the following roles:

Guides: Each participating country will be matched with a Guide. The Guide will act as the main point of contact for the country delegation and lead the country delegation to various events during the week. For example, the Guide will meet the country delegation upon arrival at Pearson Airport, attend excursions (Niagara Falls and Canada's Wonderland) and activities with the team during the week and attend the opening and closing ceremonies. Ideally, the Guide for a particular country will speak both English and the language of that representative country.

Time commitment: approximately 30-40 hours, Saturday August 14 – Friday August 20.

Information Booth: We need several volunteers with very good communication, problem solving and interpersonal skills to assist with an information booth for IOI participants to ask questions about the activities.

Time commitment: varies; a minimum 5 hour commitment is required, with some availability during several time-slots, Saturday August 14 – Friday August 20.

Technical Helpers: There will be approximately 400 computers requiring setup on Thursday August 12th to Sunday August 15th. These will be packed up on Wednesday August 18th. We are looking for students with some minimal technical knowledge and the ability to follow precise directions .

Time commitment: approximately 30 hours, Thurs. Aug. 12 – Sun. Aug. 15 and Wed. Aug. 18.

Newsletter Staff: Each day of the competition, there will be a newsletter distributed to the participants of the IOI. This newsletter will feature interviews with participants, information about the previous and upcoming activities and other interesting facts about UW, the surrounding region and Canadian culture. We are looking for students to help with writing, taking photographs, and/or layout.

Time commitment: approximately 15-20 hours during the week.

General Assistants: During the week, there will be many tasks that need to be completed (distributing information, moving materials around campus).

Time commitment: varies; there will be a few timeslots of at least 3-5 hours on several days during the week.

Other information:

Information about IOI 2010 can be found at:

www.ioi2010.org

General information about the IOI can be found at:

www.ioinformatics.org

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