My internship report



In the Evangelic Youth Foundation

The times when I had to arrive in the morning fluctuated quite a bit ranging from 10 am to 4 pm, mostly it was around noon. The kind of work that I had to do was as inconsistent as my times of arrival, but it mostly consisted of writing texts and working with children but also to tinker for example I had to cut out hearts and make some flowers from cellular rubber and pipe cleaners.

Of course a big part of the Evangelic Youth Foundation is the work with children, either in groups or in children "camps".

Most of the special activities take place in summer, but I was lucky, so I was able to experience one of these "camps":

It was a so called "Jungscharwochenende" that's a weekend for kids in a youth leisure center in Oberstedten with a special theme and an overarching story. The theme of this year was Pippi Longstocking (Pippi Langstrumpf) and the story was about a thief who stole the treasure from a Pippi Longstocking character, so Pippi Longstocking returned the treasure with the help of the kids.

Of course part of the name of the organization is the word evangelic, that means, that there is also a focus on biblical education, they try to achieve this by reading from the bible, making a play out of one of the stories or by a prayer. It's really an exhausting job, but the kids are mostly easy to deal worth, you just have to be patient.

Summary

<u>What you need</u>: When you work in the evangelic youth foundation you need to be really <u>patient</u> because most children are relatively young and keyed up. You have to explain things to them over and over again. You also have to be <u>good with children</u>, if you want to work with them and you don't like working with kids, you should rather become a teacher (just kidding... most of the time).

<u>What I learned</u>: I learned that a job in the evangelic youth foundation is much more than interacting with children; you also have to write reports, write texts, plan a lot of things and try to be a role model.

<u>My recommendation</u>: I would recommend an internship in the evangelic youth foundation because it's really funny and the atmosphere in the office is really friendly.