



Enriching learning experience for July 2012 – application period launched

Montreal, January 30, 2012 – Katimavik, Canada’s leading youth volunteer service organization, is encouraging 17 to 21 year olds to apply now for its July 2012 programs. The first selection round for these departures will begin on February 1st, and will continue until the 570 available places have been assigned.

“We’re thrilled to be engaging volunteers for the July program already,” said Katimavik CEO Daniel Lapointe, “It’s great to see youth get excited about this opportunity, especially in the year of our 35th anniversary.”

The Katimavik programs challenge young people to commit to a rich, 6 month, full-time volunteer experience where they, along with 10 other young people from all over Canada, get to help communities.

Offering the combined benefits of a language stay, a professional internship and community service, Katimavik’s structured learning program helps young people to develop the competencies they need to better guide their education and increase their employability. This unique gap semester at “the school of life” enables young people to better know themselves, to experience different working environments, to be more responsible, to discover their country, and to improve their second language, all in the structured and safe environment of a youth program that has proven itself for 35 years.

The organization is encouraging 17 to 21 year olds who want to commit to a rich and challenging learning experience to learn more about its programs and to apply on line today at www.katimavik.org.

About Katimavik

Katimavik is Canada’s premier national youth learning through volunteer service organization. Since its foundation in 1977, more than 30,000 young Canadians have participated in Katimavik programs. Katimavik provides young Canadians with the opportunity to volunteer in community development initiatives across the country and develop valuable, transferable employment skills. Katimavik service and learning programs focus on the development of lifelong personal, professional and social competencies in the areas of civic engagement, healthy lifestyle, cultural discovery, official languages, communication, environmental stewardship and project coordination. For the 2011-2012 program year, Katimavik will be present in 52 communities in which more than 1,100 volunteers will be dispersed throughout the country.

For more information, please visit www.katimavik.org, our blog at www.gokatimavik.com, or get social with us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

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