

Volunteering

The Student Journey

- 1) **Submit Volunteering application through MyGateway.**
- 2) **Complete online modules.**
- 3) **Attend pre-volunteering session.**
- 4) **Make final arrangements.**
- 5) **Make the most out of your volunteering.**
- 6) **Attend post-volunteering session and log your hours**

Why volunteer?

Volunteering is a great way to...

1) **Gain new skills and develop ones you already have.**

- Learn transferable skills that employers are looking for.

2) **Boost you CV and job applications.**

- Extracurricular activities are crucial in boosting career prospects.
- 73% of employers would rather employ someone who has volunteered over someone who hasn't.
- Logging your hours guarantees your experience will appear on your HEAR, and allow us to give you a reference for employers.

3) **Try out different careers.**

- Helps you try out different jobs to what you are studying.

4) **Grow your network.**

- Meet other volunteers.
- Make business connections that may be handy in the future.

5) **Help others.**

- You can make a difference in someones life.
- Help address local issues.
- Develop a range of skills.
- Positive impact on your own mental health.

Skills

Research shows that volunteering and skills gained from it can enrich CV's and give students an edge at interviews due to experience gained from helping others.

Communication	Task management	Resilience	Leadership
Relationship building	Teamworking	Problem solving	

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If you have any questions or would like further information, please email the DMU Public Engagement team on local@dmu.ac.uk

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