

Dear Hiring Manager,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Special Education Teacher position with Volunteer Service Abroad, commencing in March 2026. With 18 years of dedicated experience in Foundation Phase and Special Education, I am passionate about creating inclusive, supportive learning environments for students with diverse educational needs.

My professional background encompasses extensive work with students across various special educational requirements, including autism, Down syndrome, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities. As a registered New Zealand teacher with a Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase, I bring comprehensive skills in curriculum adaptation, learning support, and individualized educational strategies.

My expertise extends beyond traditional teaching methods. I am Makaton certified and hold Sign Language qualifications (Modules 1 & 2), enabling me to communicate effectively with students who have complex communication needs. My approach emphasizes holistic student development, focusing on strengths-based learning and personalized intervention strategies.

Throughout my career, I have consistently demonstrated the ability to modify curriculum, implement behavior modification techniques, and create supportive, engaging classroom environments. My multicultural background and bilingual capabilities (English and Afrikaans) further enhance my ability to connect with diverse student populations.

I am particularly excited about this opportunity with Volunteer Service Abroad, as it aligns perfectly with my professional commitment to inclusive education and supporting students with special educational needs. My extensive experience and genuine passion for making a meaningful difference in students' lives make me an ideal candidate for this role.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my skills and experience can contribute to your educational program. Thank you for considering my application.

Warm regards,

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