

AU PAIR PROGRAM ★ USA ★



OVERVIEW

- J-1 Visa Program
- Program length: 1 year
- Placements location: all over United States
- Participation limited to 1 year with a possibility to extend for a further 6, 9 or 12 months upon re-application
- This program allows qualified foreign nationals to enter the U.S. to participate in the home life and provide child care services
- Duties will not include general housekeeping and cleaning unrelated to childcare
- All Host Families are U.S. citizens or legal residents and they speak fluent English
- Full board included

WORKING HOURS

- Maximum of 45 hours per week
- Not more than 10 hours per day
- Au pair should receive at least 1 and a half days off per week (half day is considered less than 5 working hours)
- At least 1 full weekend off each month (from Friday early evening to Monday morning on scheduled start time)
- Receive 2 weeks of paid vacation

STIPEND AND COMPENSATION

- Au Pair is paid a minimum of \$195.75 per week regardless of hours worked

EDUCATION

- All EduCare au pair participants must complete not less than 12 semester hours (or their equivalent) of academic credit in formal educational settings at accredited U.S. post-secondary institutions and that all other au pair participants complete not less than six semester hours (or their equivalent) of academic credit in formal educational settings at accredited U.S. post-secondary institutions
- As a condition of program participation, host family participants must agree to facilitate the enrollment and attendance of au pairs in accredited U.S. post secondary institutions and to pay the cost of such academic course work in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for EduCare au pair participants and in an amount not to exceed \$500 for all other au pair participants



CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Must be proficient in Spoken English in order to properly carry out their duties
- Must be a secondary school graduate (or equivalent)
- Aged between 18 and 26 years old
- Need to complete a physical exam by a physician to show any eventual physical issues
- Need to be interviewed in person
- Need to successfully pass all the background checks (i.e. criminal, educational, professional etc.)
- Cannot be matched with a family with special needs unless they have relevant and relative experience
- Cannot be matched with a family with less than 2 years old children unless they can demonstrate at least 200 hours of verified previous experience
- Cannot be the sole person responsible for children less than 3 months old
- Hold a full driving licence and a comfortable driving

INDUCTION/ORIENTATION PROCESS

- Induction/Orientation process will take place:
 - Online (first part)
 - 3 days in New York (second part)
 - Breakfast, lunch and accommodation provided in centrally located Manhattan hotel
 - Full Au Pair training, including First Aid + CPR certification

TRANSPORTATION

- Arranged/paid flights to New York City for the Au Pair in order to attend the induction process
- After the Induction, internal transportation from New York to the host family is arranged and paid by the host family
- At the end of the program, the cost of the Au Pair's departure is paid for if the Au Pair meets Program requirements as defined. If requirements are not met, Au Pair will be responsible for his/her flights

AU PAIR COSTS

- Program Fee (€599 / \$660 / £479)
- J-1 Visa Application Fee (\$160)
- Recommended personal funds \$500-\$1000
- Travel to and from the local American Embassy or Consulate for visa interview
- Transportation to the Au Pair's local airport
- Educational requirements costs (host family will cover up to \$500, the rest is on the candidate)
- Baggage fees on flights (if not included in the airfare ticket or if travelling with a certain number of bags)
- Travel to and from the airport to the Orientation and Training Hotel in New York (\$25-\$60)
- Dinners during the Orientation and Training Program
- Travel Insurance
- Au Pair may be responsible for the cost of fuel if using a family car for non-work purposes



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