As a Volunteer Manager, you are the driving force behind the Expedition. You’ll be working alongside the permanent country staff to ensure the Expedition is running smoothly and effectively, and that the young volunteers are safe whilst on their placement. Whether you’re out on the project sites or in the country office, you need to be flexible and adaptable to meet the demands of a fast-paced Expedition environment. At the start of the programme you’ll receive a minimum of two weeks training in country, which you’ll then deliver in a condensed version to the young volunteers. Every Expedition is different but the Volunteer Manager team should be ready to get stuck in and put the needs of the Expedition first.

As an Adventure Project Manager, you’ll be part of the project based team. You will draw upon your mountain leader and trekking skills to lead and facilitate groups of young volunteers on their trek. During a trek, you’ll be accompanied by at least one other Project Manager or Medic.

There will be three phases of your Expedition. You will be leading a minimum of two treks, and then you will have the opportunity to join a community or an environment project for one phase.

The trekking component of an Expedition is designed to develop the leadership skills of our volunteers, so they will take turns in leading the rest of their team. We encourage the Project Managers to deliver workshops and facilitate group discussions during the trek to build the confidence of the volunteers and encourage personal development.

You also won’t be short of beautiful scenery and breath-taking landscapes!

Essential skills

- Either Mountain Leader trained or assessed or extensive experience in trekking or outdoor activities
- Ability to lead a diverse team of international young people in a demanding environment
- To be flexible and adaptable in a challenging environment
- Open to living and working in rural remote locations
- Positive and empathetic approach to leading

“My Raleigh experience has given me the opportunity to learn about myself as a leader and myself as an active citizen. I feel empowered to take on challenges in my life with confidence.”

- Laura, Adventure Project Manager