

# Three-peat for Tulane University as No. 1 on Peace Corps' annual rankings

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Tulane University has once again been named the No. 1 graduate school nationwide in producing Peace Corps volunteers. Tulane also moved up the ranks in 2017 from No. 12 to No. 10 among mid-sized undergraduate schools on Peace Corps' 2017 Top Volunteer-Producing Colleges and Universities list.

Twenty graduate students and 6 undergraduate alumni are making a difference around the world as Peace Corps volunteers. All 20 graduate student volunteers are from the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. Since the agency was created in 1961, 571 Tulane graduates have served as Peace Corps volunteers.

"Peace Corps service is an unparalleled leadership opportunity that enables college and university alumni to use the creative-thinking skills they developed in school to make an impact in communities around the world," Acting Peace Corps Director Sheila Crowley said. "Many college graduates view Peace Corps as a launching pad for their careers because volunteers return home with the cultural competency and entrepreneurial spirit sought after in most fields."

"Tulane is committed to preparing and inspiring its students to address the world's most pressing problems and needs," Tulane President Mike Fitts said. "To be recognized by the Peace Corp in this manner is a tremendous honor."

The School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine maintains a [Peace Corps office](#) within Student Affairs. The coordinators, who are Returned Peace Corps Volunteers, hold events throughout the school year and also provide support to students while they are in placements overseas.

New Orleans-based Peace Corps recruiter Julie Crow, a returned volunteer who served in the Philippines, also advises Tulane candidates and can be reached at [jcrow@peacecorps.gov](mailto:jcrow@peacecorps.gov). She is holding "office hours" on Thursday, March 16 from 4:00-6:00pm at Hey! Cafe, located at 4332 Magazine Street. [Register here](#) and check out other upcoming opportunities to learn more about Peace Corps.