ACCESS members come from the newcomer communities and from the dominant U.S. society. They are young and old and from various economic and educational backgrounds. The common denominator is their desire to make a difference in their communities. ACCESS, in conjunction with the UNCG Center for New North Carolinians, provides training and support for AmeriCorps members performing community service across North Carolina.

Who are ACCESS Members?

ACCESS Project Sponsoring Source:
Corporation for National and Community Service

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AmeriCorps
Cross Cultural Education Service Systems

Getting Things Done!
What is AmeriCorps?
AmeriCorps is a national community service program initiated by former President Bill Clinton in 1994. AmeriCorps meets human needs and encourages community development through the activities of program members. It is supported by a partnership of federal and state governments and local community organizations.

What is ACCESS?
ACCESS is an AmeriCorps project that focuses on helping immigrant/refugee communities gain better access to human services, build bridges of understanding with neighbors, and become economically self-sufficient residents of our state.

What do ACCESS members do?
AmeriCorps members are placed with our Partner Agencies providing direct services to the immigrant/refugee communities. Members commit one year to provide interpretation, employment assistance, English language instruction, community development and cross-cultural competency services. Site placement is based on the skills and experiences of the members and the needs of the organizations.

Need $$ for college?
AmeriCorps provides education awards to members who successfully complete their service term. Education awards can be used to pay for education costs at qualified institutions, for educational training, or to repay your student loans.

Can AmeriCorps fit my schedule?
Yes! We offer 3 types of positions to best suit your schedule:

- **Full-Time**: Serve 1700 hours over the program year, earn $13,732 in a yearly stipend & education award equivalent to the Pell Grant.

- **Part-Time**: Serve 900 hours over the program year, earn $6,866 in a yearly stipend & education award equivalent to half of the Pell Grant.

- **Quarter-Time Education Award Only**: Serve 450 hours over the program year & receive education award equivalent to one quarter of the Pell Grant.

Eligibility requirements:
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. National or a lawful permanent resident.
- Be at least 17 years of age.
- Submit to criminal background checks.
- Have a Social Security Card.
- Have a High School Diploma or a GED.
- Meet additional requirements set by individual partner agency where members are placed to perform their service.

ACCESS Partner Agencies 2017-2018
- African Services Coalition, Greensboro
- Catholic Charities, Charlotte
- Center for New North Carolinians, Greensboro
- Centro La Comunidad, Burlington
- Church Word Service, Durham
- Church World Service, Greensboro
- Glen Haven Community Center, Greensboro
- Glenwood Public Library, Greensboro
- Latin American Coalition, Charlotte
- Legacy Crossing Community Center, Greensboro
- Lutheran Services Carolinas, Raleigh
- New Arrivals Institute, Greensboro
- Oakwood Forest Community Center, Greensboro

The ACCESS Project does not discriminate against any employee/applicant because of age, sex, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity.