Program Structure
The program will work with the community of Quilla Huata, & build on the work of previous participants from MQ. The project focuses on construction, education & health programs.

During the recruitment and selection process preferences for project activities & internships will take place. Participants will be required to participate in a range of pre-departure and re-entry activities. There will also be some reading and research about the partner organisation, and some preparation for the education support activities done prior to departure.

Construction Project
With the instruction of the Volunteer Manager & local community members, the team will work on two construction projects; commencement of building of a Talleres* workshop, & a water reservoir. These projects have been identified by the community, & have tangible outcomes – creating a space for community members to produce small income projects, & providing safe drinking water for the school & community.

Education Support
Participants will conduct classes for school children in English, Sport, Art & Hygiene. There may also be an opportunity to assist in Talleres with English Language/Marketing/Business & Finance classes and materials that support the program.

Health Project
Participants will work on a school health campaign, working directly with the school children developing awareness around nutrition. Another project will be to collect and analyse health survey data. This project will build on work completed by the previous Macquarie group & help to assist in the measurement of initiatives & projects in this area.

House visits
Participants will contribute to the work of Peru’s Challenge through assisting with house visits. These are an important component of the work of Peru’s Challenge, assisting the families with urgent needs relating to accommodation, living standards and general wellbeing of residents. Participants will assist in developing an action plan for the family they visit, working with the Peru’s Challenge social worker and a member of their staff.

Internships (limited to 2-4 participants)
The interns will work directly with the staff at Peru’s Challenge. Whilst there will be opportunities to assist on the projects in the Quilla Huata community, most of the time will be spent in the office of this dynamic NGO. Interns will be selected for the skills they can offer to Peru’s Challenge & individual interests that link into Peru’s Challenge work – areas of need currently are Marketing, Business, Finance, Research & Planning.

Note: this project information is a guide only as final projects & outputs are subject to the partner organisation’s needs. *Talleres is the adult education program
Selection Criteria
- Academic Standing (minimum GPA of 2.0)
- Cross cultural sensitivity and relevant experience
- Commitment and initiative
- Demonstrated ability to work independently or as part of a team
- Patience and understanding of local work ethics and practises
- Motivated, adaptable, and flexible to change

Cost Information
You will be responsible for the Program Fee: Between AUD$2,200 – AUD$3,000. The program fee includes:

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You will responsible for expenses not included in the program fee such as:

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Other costs may include: Phone calls, Laundry, Internet and spending money. These costs will vary depending on your individual needs.

Participation Grant
A participation grant of AUD$2,500 will be awarded to eligible participants who have been offered a position on the program and will be processed internally upon acceptance.

Refund Policy
PACE International continuously monitors travel advice from the Australian Government in regards to any changes in safety conditions. Program fees paid will be refunded if the program is cancelled; this decision is at the discretion of Macquarie University. Should a chosen participant decide to withdraw, part or all of their program fee will be forfeited. A full refund policy will be provided upon selection into the program.

How to apply
Applications are open to all Macquarie University students who meet the selection criteria and who apply by the closing date of Sunday 27th March 2011. Participants will be selected based on their responses in the Application Form and an interview.

Application Forms are available at: www.international.mq.edu.au/paceinternational

Further info: email paceinternational@mq.edu.au or phone 02 9850 9927