



Language assistantships in Switzerland

Teach the mother tongue and provide an
insight into the culture of the home country

Swiss abroad make ideal bridge-builders

A stay in Switzerland working as a language assistant is the perfect way to gain teaching experience while getting to know the parents' or ancestors' homeland. Afterwards, the option is to return to your own country with a particular qualification, continuing training in Switzerland or becoming permanently employed.

Movetia places young students and graduates from universities and colleges from abroad as language assistants at Swiss grammar schools (Gymnasium) and VET schools. As native speakers, they enrich language lessons and can offer an insight into the culture of their home countries. Because of their own intercultural background, Swiss abroad make ideal bridge-builders. Meanwhile, the assistants gain initial work experience, become better acquainted with their second homeland and improve their knowledge of one of Switzerland's national languages. At the same time, students and teachers at the host schools benefit from the additional opportunities in the classroom.

The programme is aimed at Swiss nationals who have grown up in countries where the official national language is English, German, French, Spanish or Italian.

Who are we?

Movetia is the Swiss agency for exchange and mobility. We support projects and activities in education and training at national and international level, both in schools and in the extracurricular sphere.

educationsuisse's advisory office for young Swiss abroad offers counselling and answers questions on anything related to education and training in Switzerland.

The most important points at a glance

- 📅 Employment duration: 1 school year, August/September to June/July (depending on canton)
- 🕒 Workload: 12 hours or 16 lessons a week
- 💰 Salary: approx. CHF 3,200 gross per month (around CHF 2,600 net)
- 🎓 Preferred fields of study: English, German, French, Spanish, Italian, educational science, teaching at upper secondary schools. Other fields of study by agreement.
- 🇨🇭 Host region: French- and German-speaking Switzerland
- ⌚ Application deadline: end of March or by agreement
- 🌐 More information: movetia.ch/en/lap-incoming