

# CULTURAL HOMESTAY INTERNATIONAL CHI BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER SINCE 1980! SA JOB DESCRIPTION ORK & TRAVEL PROGRAM



## Employer Information

Employer name: GMRI Inc

Type of business: Restaurant

Job location: GMRI Inc

City: MYRTLE BEACH

State: SC

**Zip**: 29577

Website: www.olivegarden.com

## Why choose us?

Olive Garden provides a great work environment and it is a fine dinning restaurant. Olive Garden's hourly pay is higher than all the other similar businesses in the area. Myrtle Beach is a great place for enjoying your summer, it's wide spread beaches and large influx of tourists making it one of America's top tourist attractions.

## Cultural exchange activities

Baseball games.

## **Position**

Job title: Server

Job description and required skills: Duties include but are not limited to: learning menu, taking food & beverage orders, taking orders for customers, serving

customers, cleaning, side work. You must complete training before you can become a server. You must speak and read English on an advanced level. Please be aware that you will be working in a fine dinning restaurant and you must be very well mannered and polite. Please do some research on Olive Garden before your interview and especially before coming to

work for this employer.

English level required: advanced

Hourly wage (before taxes): 2.13+tips

Position ID: 34400



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## Position Information

Bonus: no

Estimated hours per day: 7-8

Number of days per week: 5-6

Possibility of students getting more than estimated hours: slight

If so, is overtime paid at the rate of 1.5 hourly, after 40 hours

of work per week?

Earliest start date: 05/01/2017

Latest start date: 07/10/2017

Earliest end date: 08/22/2017

Latest end date: 09/06/2017

Is the employer willing to hire couples?

yes

Is the employer willing to hire group of friends?

Are meals included?

Meals details (discount, cost, # of meals):

Yes, discounted.

Is a drug test required?

Is Skype interview required? yes

Do students complete an additional application upon arrival?

Possibility to find a second job in the area yes

Second jobs require you to contact CHI at chiwt@chinet.org or 1-800-432-4643 to receive the required form. The new potential employer will need to complete it. Both you and the employer will need to sign and return it to CHI for approval.

no

You can work with a new secondary employer ONLY AFTER you have received written authorization from CHI.

Additional comments regarding second job: Yes but it CANNOT interfere with Olive Garden's schedule in anyway. No set schedule.

How soon after arrival will participants begin working? 2 days

Specific instructions for arrival to employer: Please go to your employer the 2nd day after you have arrived and rested and you will get further

instructions.

Is training required? yes

**Conditions of training:**You will be paid at a regular rate throughout the training period.

Is there possibility to change positions?

Are students required to wear a uniform? yes

Does employer provide uniform?

Cost of uniform: \$50-\$60

Is uniform refundable? no



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Do students need to purchase specific clothes or footwear?

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If so, details for clothing: Additional information: You must have slip resistant Shoes, Black Dress Shirt and Pants (NO Jeans).

You must have Advanced English: both understanding and comprehension. You must be outgoing and cheerful and very well mannered.

## Housing Information

Housing name: SU17 - Olive Garden - Downtown - Jonathan Harbour

**Housing address:** 2611 South Ocean Boulevard

City: Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Phone: (843) 448-1948

Fax:

Contact: Manager on Duty

 Email:
 info@jhoceanfront.com

 Website:
 www.jhoceanfront.com

Housing assisted by: Employer

Is student required to sign a separate housing contract? yes

If so, contract details: Students will be asked to sign a separate housing agreement.

Type of housing: Motel

Number of people to a room: 4-5

Bedrooms: 1

Bath:

Estimated cost of housing per week: \$100 per person, per week, based on 4.

Is housing cost deducted from paycheck?

**Is housing deposit required?** 

Deposit amount: \$0.00
Housing deposit due date: N/A

Is housing deposit refundable?

Utilities included: yes



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If so, utilities details: Electric, Water Utilities estimated cost per month: Included no Is the housing mandatory? Can students find alternative housing during their stay? yes Must arrange own Method of transportation from housing to work site: Transportation details: Less than 1 mile. Additional housing features: Two double beds and sleeper sofa. Small kitchen, TV. You will share beds with other students. Location of work site best described as: Ocean Location details: Myrtle Beach is a top domestic tourist destination for Americans. With nearly 14 million visitors a year, 60 miles of warm & sandy beaches, an active nightlife, good restaurants, shopping, fishing, swimming, kayaking & more. Your work location is located 2 miles from the beach, you will not work on the beach itself. Average daily temperature: 60F and up; Humid www.mbchamber.com Community or regional website: Charleston, SC is 100 miles **Nearest cities:** Distance to nearest cities: Wilmington is 75 miles Shorts, t-shirt, jeans, light jacket, gym shoes What to wear: Available public transportation: Taxi Limited

Accessible amenities (by walking or public transportation):

Public transportation access:

yes Food market: Shopping mall: yes Post office: yes Bank: yes

Movie theater: yes Restaurants: yes

yes Fitness center: Laundry: yes Internet café: no

**Public library:** yes

Comments:



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## Suggested Travel Information

Nearest international airport: Atlanta (ATL) Charlotte (CLT)

Nearest airport: Myrtle Beach International (MYR)

Transportation from airport to employer and / or housing: Taxi

Nearest bus station (to the airport): Greyhound

Bus information (web site): www.greyhound.com

Nearest train information (to the airport):

Amtrak - Florence, SC - 82 Miles

Train information (web site): www.amtrak.com

If participant arrives after hours suggested, overnight

accomodation:

Cost per night: \$100 +

Transportation to overnight accomodation: Taxi

Transportations cost: \$50 +

Specific instructions:

Upon arrival, please go directly to your housing to rest and report to your employer the following

business day. Upon your arrival in Myrtle Beach, take a taxi directly to your housing to rest and unpack. Do not show up to employer with luggage. Please note: Please do not arrive May 12-21 and May 26-29, 2017. There are two huge motorcycle festivals and housing will be extremely limited

and very expensive.

Motel

## Social Security Information

Does the company require students to have Social Security number before arriving to the work place?

Does the company provide Social Security application

assistance?

yes

no

If so, details:

Please attend local ISOP meetings at 9:30 am sharp at Seacoast Vineyard Church: 504 27th Ave N, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 to apply for Social Security number & bank account. If not, you will spend a day applying at their office in Conway: Mon., Tues, Thurs & Friday -9 am -3 pm, Wed. -9 am -12 pm.

Where is the closest Social Security office?

1316 THIRD AVE., CONWAY, SC 29526

How far is the Social Security office from the work place?

About 14 miles

Specific instructions:

Read your student handbook & take ALL documents with you. If you don't, you will have to travel back to Social Security on another day, at your expense. \$\$\$



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Welcome to Olive Garden and Myrtle Beach & North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

The jobs for this employer are Server and Restaurant Worker. Olive Garden provides a great work environment and it is a fine dining restaurant. Olive Garden's hourly pay is higher than all the other similar businesses in the area.



There are two locations: Myrtle Beach and North Myrtle Beach. The distance is 11 miles (17.70 KM). You must work at the location you are assigned to; no exceptions.





## WELCOME LETTER Cultural Homestay International (CHI)

**GMRI d/b/a Olive Garden** 1405 North Kings Highway Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 **Employer Contact Information** 

Kathy Miranda

Email: kmiranda@olivegarden.com

1 (843) 626-8856

Hello Participants,

My name is Elisa Pyle and I am your local Program Coordinator through Cultural Homestay International (CHI). I will be helping you prepare for your exciting summer in Myrtle Beach working for Olive Garden! This packet contains very important information regarding your travels. Please be sure to READ IT IN FULL, and print a copy to bring with you to the United States.

- If you have not yet purchased a plane ticket, you should do so as soon as possible. Please let CHI and your employer know your flight information!
- \*IF YOU WERE DENIED YOUR VISA AND ARE RECEIVING THIS EMAIL, PLEASE LET ME KNOW YOU ARE NOT COMING!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:chielisa@chinet.org">chinet.org</a>.

For general questions and emergencies, contact CHI's Main Office at 1 (800) 432-4643.

Have a safe trip!

Sincerely,

## Elisa Pyle

ESM Assistant & Program Coordinator 1 (513) 399 – 5250

Fax: 1 (843) 212 - 0105

**Cultural Homestay International** 

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1651888668420108/

#### 1. BEFORE DEPARTURE

Read your CHI Student Handbook. You should have received this from your agency.

## Bring:

- Documents: Passport, J- 1 Visa, DS 2019, sponsorship letter, job offer
- \$1000 USD Available (Transportation from airport, housing deposits, food, etc.)
- Carry On (A change of clothes, medicines, copy of this letter & your documents). Always keep your important paperwork with you while traveling. Do NOT pack it!
- Contact your employer by email to notify him/her of your specific arrival time.
- Plan your flight accordingly: if your final destination is 5 hours away, make sure your flight arrives early in the day OR you have made a reservation at a hostel to stay overnight.
- Log into www.sevis.org as soon as you know your flights to enter this information!

## 2. CONTACT YOUR EMPLOYER

Your contact person is **Kathy Miranda**. Other managers are Darek and Terry. Please email us your flight information.

Upon your arrival in Myrtle Beach, take a taxi directly to your housing to rest and unpack. Do not show up to employer with luggage. Please note: Please do not arrive May 12-21 and May 26-29, 2017. There are two huge motorcycle festivals and housing will be extremely limited and very expensive.

### 3. DIRECTIONS FROM THE AIRPORT TO YOUR HOUSING

## Airport:

**NEW YORK** If you are flying into JFK Airport and would like to take Greyhound Bus to Myrtle Beach (<a href="www.greyhound.com">www.greyhound.com</a>), you must take the Air Train to **Penn Station** in Manhattan. This trip is a minimum of 18 hours. CHI also needs to know this information, as well.

The link to find transportation from JFK: Please install their new free MyTransitGuide App!! <a href="https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/transit-app-real-time-tracker/id498151501?mt=8">https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/transit-app-real-time-tracker/id498151501?mt=8</a>

http://airtrain-jfk.transit-info.com/index.php?src=bing&kid=116456016131&kw=Airtrain+Jfk+Map

Upon your arrival in Myrtle Beach, Please go directly to your housing. Please do not talk to strangers or accept rides unless **they are a registered taxi service**. You will see their license posted inside the taxi.

## Flights from New York to Myrtle Beach

Take a taxi to your housing upon arrival. <a href="https://www.kayak.com">www.kayak.com</a> <a href="https://www.spiritair.com">www.spiritair.com</a>

www.delta.com www.usairways.com

### 4. SEVIS

**Before you arrive in USA-** Log in to <a href="www.sevis.org">www.sevis.org</a> and enter your flight information as soon as you purchase your flight ticket.

After you arrive in USA - Log into the SEVIS system within THREE (3) days of your arrival to the United States!

Any delay can affect your Social Security Card application, which then affects WHEN YOU CAN START WORKING! VALIDATE YOUR SEVIS STATUS IMMEDIATELY!

- a. Log in to www.sevis.org. If you can't log in, you need to call us.
- b. IMMEDIATELY call CHI to complete the SEVIS validation process: 1(800) 432-4643.
- c. Refer to your Student Handbook if you need specific instructions about how to log in. (Most public libraries have internet access speak with library staff about your temporary stay in the US.)
- d. Log back in after 3 days to make sure your visa status has been validated this is a requirement **BEFORE** applying for a social security number

### 5. i – 94 NUMBER

Once, you have register on <a href="www.sevis.org">www.sevis.org</a>, please log on: <a href="https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/194/consent.html;jsessionid=HhnJXBrP1Lwmzs4wlXSkWwyhbtw7CYMnRTDkxrJq0hDN">https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/194/consent.html;jsessionid=HhnJXBrP1Lwmzs4wlXSkWwyhbtw7CYMnRTDkxrJq0hDN</a> <a href="mailto:38fQ0h2G!874688931">38fQ0h2G!874688931</a> to create your i-94 number. Please print this page or save to your smart phone.

## 6. APPLYING FOR A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Validate your Visas in SEVIS.

Please attend local ISOP meetings at 9:30 am sharp at Seacoast Vineyard Church: 504 27th Ave N, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 to apply for Social Security number & bank account. If not, you will spend a day applying at their office in Conway: Mon., Tues, Thurs & Friday - 9 am - 3 pm, Wed. - 9 am - 12 pm.

Read your student handbook & take ALL documents with you. If you don't, you will have to travel back to Social Security on another day, at your expense. \$\$\$

• Then wait 10 days and visit the closest social security office is:

SOCIAL SECURITY 1316 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Conway, SC 29526 1-888-577-6601

Bus Route to Social Security Administration Office: To and From Conway to MB

http://www.coastrta.com/routes-and-schedules/routes/transit-routes/route\_7.aspx

PLEASE REMEMBER TO GET A RECEIPT AT THE SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE. IT'S YOUR ONLY PROOF THAT YOU APPLIED! DO NOT LOSE IT.

### We look forward to meeting you!!

For general questions & emergencies, you may always contact CHI's Main Office at 1-800-432-4643