

## Group Study Exchange – **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

GSE team member applicants must:

- Be between the ages of 25 and 40
- Be fully employed with at least two years of work experience in their chosen field
- Be in the early stages of their careers or professions
- Reside in or be employed in the sending Rotary district and also be citizens of the country in which they reside
- Be proficient in the language of the country being visited (Spanish, English)
- Be personable, articulate, cooperative, motivated team players, and enthusiastic about their vocations
- Seek to gain a maximum educational value from the program, as well as be able to fulfill the rigorous demands of international travel and active participation in an extensive itinerary. The best candidates for GSE are rising leaders who meet the qualifications above and who have an interest in people of other cultures. GSE can be an excellent way to recognize top-performing staff or provide exposure for potential young leaders with limited international experience.

Note: Spouses of participants may not accompany teams.

In addition, the following are ineligible:

- a Rotarian; an employee of a Rotary club, district, other Rotary entity, or Rotary International;
- any Rotarian's or Rotary employee's spouse, ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood), lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood and any legally adopted child); or a spouse of a lineal descendant.