

Mahamudra Centre for Universal Unity, Colville, New Zealand.

Vacancy : Centre Director.

Mahamudra Centre in New Zealand, is looking for an experienced FPMT student to serve as **Centre Director**.

The centre is situated in a rural setting near the town of Colville, population 500, which comprises of a general store and gas station, town hall, doctors surgery, school, two lovely cafes, motel, tennis courts and sports facilities, and tourist shop. The nearest bank is 30 minutes drive south in the town of Coromandel, population 3000, the local service centre for the area, with supermarket, workshops, bakeries, college etc.

Colville sits in the northern part of the Coromandel Peninsula, a 100 km long peninsula comprising mostly of the forest clad hills of the Coromandel Forest Park which is owned and administered by the Conservation Department of the government, and has hiking and tramping tracks and huts throughout, with smallish towns around its edges on the coast, and thus lovely beaches abound.

The centre itself sits in park like 3.6 hectare grounds featuring a large 2 storey house containing the facilities, large meditation/teaching hall seating 60, 6 single rooms, 4x 3bed rooms, 6 self contained retreat cabins with all facilities, and a large Stupa with prayer room underneath. Please view the photos on the centre website www.mahamudra.org.nz.

The director overseas the staff at the centre, being the Centre Manager, the SPC, Office Manager, House Manager, IT Manager, Groundsman, and Book keeper, and reports to the Trustees monthly, at least during the initial probation period. The director supports and oversees the SPC to develop a program of visiting teachers, and group retreats, for which the centre is ideally situated.

A stipend is paid, together with full board, accommodation, paid holidays, and use of a car, with an estimated 40 hours of work per week, all however being negotiable. The ideal applicant will be free to start at or before the end of March 2019.

The centre is looking for a warm communicator in the English language with proven mindful and compassionate leadership skills, a Dharma student with a strong commitment to H.H the Dalai Lama, Lama Zopa Rinpoche, and experience of service within the FPMT organization, with respect for other Buddhist and Spiritual traditions. Also a flexible and resourceful person who can lead a harmonious team, and carry responsibility, who is open to new ideas, and can take the initiative in matters. Who understands (or is willing to have training) to understand center accounts, and implement income generation and fundraising activities. The applicant will need to be a confident user of administrative computer software.

The trustees will provide a more detailed job description for those communicating '**Expressions of Interest**', and prior to an **Application for the Position** being made. Please feel free to ring the present Director, Roy Fraser, at the office on +64 7 86 66851, or personally on +64 210 599663, or the Trustees through Ron Agnew on +64 27 45 88 200, or make contact on director@mahamudra.org.nz.

Applicants for the position will need to have supplied a personal CV of two pages, including 2 referees, to the trustees at the above e mail address, **prior to the 20th January 2019**. The names of shortlisted applicants will be submitted to Lama Zopa Rinpoche to give advice on karmic benefit.

The Director/Trustees of the Mahamudra Centre would love to hear from you.