Essay #1: Challenge

• Reflect on a specific challenge you experienced during your volunteer experience in Peace Corps or in other international service.

• Describe a specific situation, how you responded, including your approach to gathering, mobilizing, and utilizing resources.

• Evaluate the experience in terms of your personal development and community results at the point of writing this reflection.

• How did this experience affect the remainder of your service and your attitude towards international/domestic development? What did you personally learn?

• We are interested in your reflections, persistence, and lessons learned.
Essay #2: Leadership and Teamwork

• Describe a specific situation in which you had a leadership role OR a specific situation in which you were a key part of a well-working team.

• This specific situation can be from your Peace Corps service or another position you have held in which you have gained valuable leadership or teamwork experience.

• What was the situation? What was your role and why were you in it? What challenges did you have to overcome? What did the group achieve?

• We want to get an idea of your leadership or teamwork experience and key lessons learned that affect your future direction.
Essay #3: Goals and Future

• What are your long-term career goals? If you do not yet have clear career goals, you can focus on populations with which you would like to work and problems/opportunities with which you would like to be involved.

• What do you want to study at the UArizona and why do you want to study it? How will this move you towards your goals?

• What makes you a good fit with the Tucson community and the Coverdell Fellows program? How will your experiences to date integrate with your academic and professional goals?

• Please be specific about your strengths and skills that will allow you to benefit an underserved community in Southern Arizona. Your response should reflect your awareness of regional issues and opportunities.