

Catchafire seeks volunteers collaborating virtually to translate for non-profit organizations (NPO). Catchafire is a company that strengthens the social good sector by matching professionals who want to donate their time with NPO who need their skills. NPO provide critical support to their communities, but limited budgets can block them from hiring the expert talent they need to operate most effectively. Skills-based volunteering can bridge that gap.

Masters of Arts in Translation students (MA students) from the [Faculty of Translation and Interpreting \(FTI\)](#) interested in volunteering with NPO through Catchafire can create volunteer profiles and apply for translation projects on Catchafire's website. If accepted for these projects, the students can then connect with individual NPO to volunteer and document their time.

- [Find out more about Catchafire](#)
- [\(For Volunteers\) Volunteering on Catchafire](#)
- [How it Works for Volunteers](#)

Most Catchafire projects include rounds for feedback, but NPO **do not always have someone who can proofread the Volunteer's work**. Volunteers are not being paid but are permitted to feature the work they've completed through Catchafire in their portfolios, to advertise their services, or for non-commercial purposes.

MA students who wish to validate their NPO translation projects in order to obtain 4 ECTS credits from *Déontologie et pratique professionnelle*, **before starting any translation project** must confirm:

- the specific NPO they plan to work with that the **minimum translation volume** will be provided (**12 000 words** or **120 translating hours in the same FTI's language combination**);
- the NPO's volunteer manager **reviews drafts of translated materials, and provides feedback to the MA student on a regular basis**;
- the NPO can issue a **certificate to the MA student where the translated volume and provided feedback are mentioned**.

MA students may participate in projects with different NPO to meet the volume of translation required to validate their internships if they can obtain a certificate from each NPO.

MA students that meet these requirements and wish to validate these projects must follow the FTI's procedure described [here](#).

If you have any questions about Catchafire, please contact: help@catchafire.org.

If you have any question about the validation process to obtain ECTS credits, please contact stages@fti@unige.ch.