



Hiring 4 Full Time Summer Positions 2010 Summer Leadership Program

The City School is hiring 4 full time summer positions to help lead our 16th annual Summer Leadership Program. We are hiring three Seminar Teachers and one Community Action Project Coordinator.

Who are we?

The City School (TCS) is a powerful community of diverse youth, staff and board members that have one theme in common: we are committed to creating change. We offer several yearly programs that engage youth in dialogue and action about critical issues such as criminalization, homelessness, sexism, violence and poverty. Youth build vital leadership skills, develop critical analyses of the structures of oppression and develop community organizing skills to work for change.

What is the Summer Leadership Program?

The Summer Leadership Program (SLP) is in its 16th year and is the flagship program of TCS. Each year we bring together 60-70 high school youth from across Greater Boston to engage in community building, social justice learning and community action for change. A full time, seven week program, youth take seminars in several subject areas, contribute over 3000 hours of community service to non profits all over Boston and transform their lives.

Who is an SLP Student?

Our students come from a diverse array of geographic, racial, economic, sexual and political identities. They are incredibly different in their perspectives, ideologies and beliefs. We are committed to building a community that honors and respects everyone's voice and understands our differences to be our strength.

What does an SLP Seminar Teacher do?

Seminar teachers serve as leaders, mentors, role models and key staff people, and are vital to the success of SLP. We have witnessed youth being transformed in the course of a seminar by their teachers. Seminar teachers engage youth and staff in an ongoing dialogue and exploration of systematic oppression and movement building. They are responsible for leading a daily intensive academic seminar, and for supporting projects and events that SLP runs yearly including an opening retreat, community action projects and closing events. **We are hiring 3 seminar teachers this summer.**

What does the Community Action Project Coordinator do?

The Community Action Project (CAP) Coordinator is responsible for supporting a group of 10 youth leaders to facilitate small groups of their peers in summer long community action projects. The CAP Coordinator trains these youth leaders in the history and skills of community organizing. Additionally, this position supports projects and events that SLP runs yearly including an opening retreat, academic seminars and closing events. **We are hiring 1 Community Action Project Coordinator.**

Applicant Qualifications

We are seeking people who are dedicated to supporting youth to create change in their communities. Applicants should be committed to our mission of social justice, and experienced in building loving, action based communities with youth and adults.

Our staff should be skilled at working with both urban and suburban youth, and have a strong commitment and background in mentorship. Qualified teaching candidates should have a strong demonstrated knowledge in the seminar topic they are most interested in teaching. Qualified CAP Coordinator candidates should have experience in youth and/or community organizing. Staff must be comfortable facilitating large and small groups, and developing and teaching curriculum. We look for open, energetic, passionate people with a sense of humor. Our commitment to youth leadership means staff not only lead, but challenge and support youth to lead. As such, applicants should be comfortable working in and towards a youth led, youth owned space. Finally, staff must be team players, excel in an intense, emotional and fast paced environment, and be comfortable with group process.

Staff are required to participate in a two and a half week staff training (including possibly a weeklong trip to Detroit for the United States Social Forum), as well as a three day / two night student retreat..

People of color and LGBT people are especially encouraged to apply.

What Do We Pay?

Seminar teacher positions pay \$3,800 for 10 weeks of work at 40 hours per week. The CAP Coordinator position pays between \$2400 and \$3800 depending on experience and roles agreed upon. All positions begin on Wednesday June 16th and end on Thursday August 19th. This is a nine week period. The 10th week is spent writing program and student evaluations, but may be done so offsite with final paychecks held until evaluations are completed.

Want to Apply?

Email completed application, cover letter and resume to seth@thecityschool.org. Positions will remain open until filled. Go to our website: www.thecityschool.org to download the application. If you are called in for an interview, you will be asked to submit contact information for two references, official transcripts (if in school) and three complete lesson plans for your preferred seminar. Hiring decisions will be made by April 14th, 2006.

Send Application to:

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