

Student Leader Information & Application

Spring Break Service Trips 2009
New Orleans Project
South Africa

The Award

Several student leaders will be chosen to assist faculty and staff. The role of the Student Leader is to assist the Project Leader before, during, and after the project. The Student Leader receives \$100 off the cost of his/her project for New Orleans or \$ 500 for South Africa. This financial assistance is offered to provide opportunities for student leadership development and to encourage participation in the planning of programs for the project.

The Application

By applying for this position, you agree to perform the responsibilities and expectations listed below. An applicant must be officially registered for the project to be eligible for student leader opportunities. Submit a Registration Form and \$50 deposit to the Office of Campus Involvement. Registration Forms can be picked up at the IMPACT Booth and The Office of Campus Involvement and Residence Life receptionist on the 3rd floor of the Campus Center.

Application Process

♦ **SUBMIT via email to: Monique Mathews Campus Center 3rd Floor Room 316 or mathmo@camden.rutgers.edu**

Selection criteria are based on the candidate's potential for leadership. Your application will be forwarded to the project coordinators, who may call you to discuss a possible interview date and time. Award recipients will be notified by the Project Leader.

Duties of the Student Leader

Duties **Before** the Project:

1. Exhibit initiative and enthusiasm, display professionalism, cultural sensitivity and understanding, and make learning a priority.
2. Learn about the history, culture, and social issues of the site. Work with the Project Leader to pass information onto the project participants. The Project Leader can suggest useful films, readings, websites, etc.
3. Convene 2-4 meetings with the Project Leader and participants prior to the project.
4. Serve as a liaison and contact between the Project Leader and the rest of the group.
5. Make sure all the student forms are handed in on time.
6. Complete tasks assigned by Project Leader. This may include developing reflection activities, and arranging learning activities/resources.

*Duties **During** the Project:*

1. Lead and facilitate group discussion and reflection on a daily basis.
2. Assist the Project Leader with the daily routine.
3. Help promote harmony mutual support and learning within the group.
4. Be a strong peer contact for all participants during the project.
5. Take pictures for future publications.
6. Collect pamphlets, pictures, cultural memorabilia, trinkets, items, etc. for future use.

*Duties **Following** the Project:*

7. Compose trip description/report of project, noting any mishaps, suggestions for the future, and highlighting the group's favorite activities, moments, etc.
8. Follow up your 2-week experience by:
 - Facilitate a workshop on the service experience. You can come up with a powerpoint presentation and reflections from the trip. You must be able to held any questions about the trip and if you would recommend it to other students.
9. Explore and implement ways to promote the on-going positive impact of the project on the participants.
10. Ensure project participants complete evaluations with regard to the project.

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PARTICIPANT NAME _____

ACADEMIC STANDING _____ CELL PHONE # _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

City, State, Zip _____

Please provide thorough and thoughtful answers to the following questions.

- ❖ Address past leadership experiences and what you hope to gain from being a student leader on this project.
- ❖ How does this project relate to your future goals?
- ❖ In what ways have you been involved with community service in the past? How do you plan to incorporate what you will learn on this project to your service involvement in Gettysburg or your home community?
- ❖ Provide a list of academic and co-curricular activities in which you've been involved.
- ❖ Provide two campus references.

1. NAME _____ DEPT _____ EMAIL _____

2. NAME _____ DEPT _____ EMAIL _____

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