

Queer People of Color (QPOC) We Are Family Access Coordinator

\$9.50 per hour at 10-15 hours per week (September 2014 – June 2015)

The QPOC We Are Family Access Program

Initiated and coordinated by the Student Promoted Access Center for Education and Service (SPACES) at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD), the QPOC We Are Family Access Program aims to address the needs and issues facing queer-identified youth of color in the Greater San Diego community, particularly in their struggle to pursue higher education. By supporting queer youth of color, connecting them to necessary resources, empowering them to pursue higher education, and facilitating the growth of a strong and supportive community, the QPOC We Are Family Access Program serves to provide structured support for queer students of color and promote greater educational equity for all students, regardless of race, gender, class, nationality, sexuality, or ability. Accordingly, the QPOC Access Coordinator shall oversee, maintain, and develop the We Are Family Access Program by initiating and coordinating programs in line with this mission of promoting access to higher education and serving as a resource for queer youth of color.

Job-Specific Responsibilities

- Oversee and develop key components of the QPOC We Are Family Access Program;
- Collaborate with QPOC Board to coordinate an annual day-long conference for high school students in San Diego;
- Coordinate the QPOC Sibling Program. Collaborate with the QPOC Retention Coordinator to match high school student mentees with UCSD student mentors and create programs to encourage the growth of meaningful mentor-mentee relationships;
- Continue developing and adding to the components of the QPOC We Are Family Access Program;
- Coordinate regular access events and programs that pertain to the experience of queer students of color, both on-site and at UCSD;
- Make regular visits to high schools and community centers in the San Diego community;
- Build stable connections with San Diego high school students, faculty, and staff to continue establishing the presence and impact of the Access Program in the community;
- Assist and collaborate with the Transfer Access Coordinator in addressing the needs of queer students of color in community colleges;
- Maintains regular contact with regional coordinators for centers with similar needs, including but not limited to:
 the Hillcest Youth Center, the Gay and Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN), and the Gay-Straight
 Alliance Network;
- Advise program finances and present budget proposals to the Student-Initiated Access Programs and Services (SIAPS) and the Student-Promoted Access Center for Education and Service (SPACES);
- Serve as a resource for high school students planning to attend an institution of higher education;
- Report to QPOC Board on current progress, as seen fit by current intern and board members;
- Actively recruit and retain students to encourage consistent, long-term participation and tracking within the QPOC We Are Family Access Program;
- Consistently collect and maintain records on students participating in the QPOC We Are Family Access Program
 and its events to track students' progress and growth, and evaluate the Access Program's effectiveness over the
 years;
- Document ongoing projects and establish project protocols so that the projects, programs, initiatives, and mission of the QPOC We Are Family Access Program may be sustained and further developed in future years;
- Collaborate with the Access Project Group to develop handbook for guidelines and requirements to be on site at high schools for workshops, presentations, tutoring and mentoring;

- Assist with the coordination of the SIAPS College Tour with the Access Project Group.
- Required to Attend SIAPS Steering Committee Meetings.

General Responsibilities

- Must be available on occasional evenings and weekends;
- Participate in bi-weekly one-to-one's with full-time staff, co-directors, co-coordinators, and members of the SPACES Board of Directors;
- Participate in mandatory weekly staff meetings, each Thursday from 3:30-5:00pm;
- Participate in mandatory weekly project group meetings, each Tuesday from 3:30-4:30pm;
- Fully engage in activities that facilitate holistic development, which may involve personal and emotional investments beyond job-specific duties;
- Complete weekly paperwork;
- Assist with Front Desk coverage and reception;
- Assist with SPACES administrative duties including data entry, photocopying, typing, and customer service;
- Assist in facility maintenance including, but not limited to basic cleaning, furniture rearrangements, and supply inventory;
- Consistently document and evaluate the effectiveness of all activities through the use of the SPACES Shared Drive, Post-Program Report Form, and Participant Database;
- Submit quarter and end-of-year evaluations of your internship experience to give an overall assessment of your position and provide recommendations for future improvements;
- Coordinate a self-initiated project during fall, winter or spring quarter;
- Build and maintain connections with students, staff and faculty members who are allies to SPACES;
- Collaborate with SPACES Staff to promote the SPACES Mission to improve campus climate for all students;
- Provide administrative support for SPACES sponsored events and community events in relation to access and retention initiatives;
- Other duties as assigned.

General Qualifications

- Pay quarterly registration fees for each quarter employed;
- Flexible to meet the dynamic and high paced needs of SPACES;
- Understanding of the mission and aspiration of SPACES and those affiliated with it;
- Strong passion and commitment for educational equity;
- Understanding of the importance of access and retention in relation to equal access to education, diversity, and cultural/socioeconomic struggles and oppressions;
- Progressive and innovative leadership approach;
- Ability to manage and uphold accountability;
- Proven experience working cooperatively as part of a team;
- Strong interpersonal skills, ability to communicate effectively in one-on-one and group settings;
- Ability to work collaboratively with students, faculty, staff, and the wider communities which the university serves;
- Ability to organize and manage multiple projects simultaneously;
- Ability to recognize one's own impact on others;
- High level of awareness and sensitivity to the needs of different communities especially those from underrepresented and underserved backgrounds;
- Ability to maintain confidentiality with highly-sensitive information;
- Ability to connect with the Greater San Diego Community;
- Eligibility: Anyone who will not be employed at OASIS or one of UCSD's Campus Community Centers (CCC, Women's Center, LGBTRC) or in a high-demand student leadership roles for the 2014-2015 school year (e.g. chair/vice-chair of a student organization);
- SPACES Student Staff must put their position as their first priority if employed anywhere else.

Conditions of Employment

In order to be considered for an internship at SPACES, you must agree to the following conditions:

Conditions	2014 – 2015 Dates
Undergraduate enrolled in all 3 academic quarters	2014-2015 Academic School Year
Not employed at OASIS or one of UCSD's Campus Community Centers (CCC,	2014-2015 Academic School Year
Women's Center, LGBTRC) or in a high-demand student leadership roles (e.g.	
chair/vice-chair of a student organization)	
If hired at a second job, SPACES must remain as the first priority	2014-2015 Academic School Year
All-Staff Transition Meeting	May 9, 2014; 5:00-7:00m
SPACES End of the Year Celebration 2014	May 23, 2014; 2:00-8:00pm
Job Shadowing (Week 7-10): 2 hours/week	
	May 12-June 6, 2014
SPACES All-Staff Summer Retreat	September 18-19, 2014
SPACES All-Staff Training	September 22-26, 2014; 9:00-
	4:00pm
Welcome Week planning and activities	September 29 – October 3, 2014
SPACES Weekly Project Group & All-Staff Meetings	Every Tuesday and Thursday
	3:30-5:00pm
SPACES End of the Year Celebration 2015	May 22, 2015
Available to work: 10-15 hours/week	Sept. 11, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Developmental Outcomes

The overall goal of the SPACES Student Staff program is to provide students the opportunity to self-reflect, build community, and develop one's professional skills while working towards educational equity. At the end of the internship, each intern will be able to translate her/his holistic experience into skill sets that are adaptable to any work environment. In addition to advocating for social justice, creating community, and enhancing one's personal development, SPACES strives to meet the professional needs of students and help them develop in the following areas:

Communication

 Assessment of clarity of ideas expressed, effectiveness of oral and written presentations, effectiveness in listening and interacting with others in a helpful and informative manner. Asks for and provides constructive feedback and assistance.

Empowerment

Assessment of self-empowerment and the ability to facilitate empowerment in others.

Initiative and Innovation

• Assessment of self-starting ability and creativity. Introduces new concepts and processes using independent and original thought. Involves creativity and imagination with programming, projects and problem-solving.

Organizational Skills

• Ability to record, update, sort, and maintain information in a clear, orderly manner through the use of calendars, databases, and other organizing tools.

Punctuality and Accountability

• Assessment of timeliness and responsibility in terms of coming to work and work-related events. Includes effectiveness in completing the allotted hours per week.

Quality and Productivity

 Assessment of excellence in factors such as accuracy, completeness, and follow-through on a sufficient volume of work.

Resourcefulness

Assessment of understanding and utilizing resources available.

Teamwork and Collaboration

• Assessment of effectiveness in working together with peers at various levels to solve problems, improve work process, and accomplish specific tasks.

Time Management

Ability to thoroughly initiate and complete goals in a time-efficient and sustainable manner.