



## **Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanx de Aztlán (MEChA) Student-Initiated Peer-Guidance for the Undergraduate Experience (SIGUE) Coordinator**

\$11.85 per hour at 10-15 hours per week

May 2019 - June 2020

### **MEChA SIGUE Program**

MEChA de UC San Diego's SIGUE program exists to strengthen the Chicanx/Latinx community at UC San Diego by retaining students and increasing the graduation rates of students who identify as underrepresented and/or experiencing any type of struggle (i.e. socioeconomic, gender identity, sexual orientation etc.)

The mission of the MEChA SIGUE program is to coordinate retention events and programs that reflect the needs of Chicanx/Latinx students in higher education & to create supportive spaces of dialogue and programming that pertain to the needs & experiences of Chicanx/Latinx students. The SIGUE Retention Program consist of the following

### **Chicahua (Mxntor/Mxntee) Component**

- Chicahua is a Nahuatl word that means to strengthen and this program is meant to provide students with a supportive community. Older MEChistAs are paired up with new MEChistAs in order to create an environment where students can develop their political, social, academic, and physical well-being. Applications may be open every quarter.

### **Cultivando Conciencia/Cultivating Consciousness Film Series Component**

- Through dialogue and reflection, we hope to collectively strengthen each other's consciousness of different struggles, identities, & our own intersectionalities.

### **Retention Base Programming**

- Program and facilitate (if need be) workshops and events that aim to build and strengthen community through de-stressing activities.

### **Academic Component\*\***

- This component provides workshops, programs, and events that facilitate students' academic transition. These workshops, programs, and events may focus on study skills, time management, academic career planning, matriculation to graduate school, academic resources, study jams, and career planning (but is not limited to other academic workshops/events). \*\*To be completed by SIGUE Coordinator if there is no Academic Responsible position filled.

Relationship to Mesa directiva: SIGUE Coordinator is a board member of MEChA, and is accountable to meeting with

MEChA board and ensuring that MEChistAs are informed about programs/events/site.

### **Job-Specific Responsibilities**

- Conduct own quarterly projects that reflect the mission of the SIGUE Program;
- Collaborate with the Xoxotlani coordinator on a program/project during the year focusing on access and retention;
- Maintain all records such as evaluations/surveys/applications for Chicahua (mentor/mentee/femtor/femtee) & all retention events;
- Collaborate with the MEChA retention committee & MEChA retention team to compile quarterly and annual evaluations; strengthen connections between SPACES & Chicax/Latinx students by making SPACES more accessible and publicizing SPACES to the MEChistAs;
- In relation to the Chicahua Program:
  - Organize at least one social and educational academic program per quarter
  - Collaborate with the MEChA retention committee to maintain the Chicahua component, while supervising all aspects of Chicahua component which include but are not limited to: application process, Chicahua recruitment and mentor/femtor training
- In relation to the Cultivando Conciencia/Cultivating Consciousness film series
  - Organize a film series or attend the film series in the San Diego community; HIGHLY encouraged to make film series a collaborative project with other CORE organizations.
  - Collaborate with the MEChA retention committee and other groups/collectives to screen films & facilitate dialogues about intersectionality;
  - Collaborate with the MEChA retention committee in supervising all aspects of the component which include but are not limited to: publicity, logistics, evaluation/surveys;
- In relation to the Academics\*\***see above under Academic Component**
  - Collaborate with the MEChA retention committee in supervising all aspects of the component which include but are not limited to: publicity, outreaching to students & peer tutors, logistics, evaluation/surveys, organizing & then facilitating the study jams;
  - Coordinate with OASIS- MTSP to have Math & Science tutors available 3 times a quarter at study jams;
  - Collaborate with resource centers such as the Women's Center, Raza Resource Centro, LGBT Resource Center, Living Learning Communities, etc. for programming events. This will also help students become familiar with the centers and resources on campus;
- In relation to the MEChA Retention Committee
  - Facilitate meetings to develop and strengthen access & retention initiatives:
  - Set up a time and day of the week to meet with MEChA Retention Committee (30m-1 hr if need be);
  - Attend weekly MEChA Retention Committee Meetings.

### **General Responsibilities**

- Available to work on occasional evenings and weekends;
- Participate in bi-weekly one-to-one meetings with co-directors and advisors.
- Participate in mandatory weekly staff meetings, each Thursday from 3:30-4:50pm;
- Participate in mandatory weekly project group meetings, each Tuesday from 3:30-4:50pm;
- Fully engage in activities that facilitate holistic development, which may involve personal and emotional investments;
- Meet with members of the SPACES Board of Directors and/or Core Organizations, as needed
- Complete paperwork, including program proposal forms, Triton Activities Planner (TAP), and post program reports, and any additional documents to receive project funding;
- Assist with SPACES administrative duties including data entry, photocopying, typing, and customer service etc.;
- 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 SPACES staff 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/or 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, retention and community engagement initiatives;
- Other duties as assigned.

## **Qualifications**

- Pay quarterly registration fees for each quarter employed;
- Understanding of the mission and aspiration of SPACES and those affiliated with it;
- Understanding of the importance of access, retention and community engagement work in relation to equal access to education, diversity, and cultural/socioeconomic struggles and oppressions;
- Strong passion and commitment for educational equity;
- Ability to manage and uphold accountability;
- Ability to communicate effectively in one-on-one and group settings;
- Ability to recognize one’s own impact on others;
- Flexible to meet the dynamic and fast-paced needs of SPACES;
- Ability to organize and manage multiple projects;
- Progressive and innovative leadership approach;
- Proven experience working cooperatively as part of a team;
- Ability to work collaboratively with students, faculty, staff, and the wider San Diego community, which the university serves;
- Ability to maintain confidentiality with highly-sensitive information;
- Demonstrate understanding and sensitivity to the needs of different communities especially those from underrepresented and underserved backgrounds;
- Eligibility: Anyone who will not be employed at OASIS or one of UCSD’s Campus Community Centers (Black Resource Center, Cross-Cultural Center, LGBT Resource Center, Raza Resource Centro, Women’s Center), or a Residential Advisor (RA) or in a high-demand student leadership roles for the 2019-2020 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.
- Previous General Board Member (GBM) or prior involvement with M.E.Ch.A.

## **Typical Weekly Hour Distribution for Coordinators**

### **SPACES Office Hours**

- All SPACES student staff members are expected to carry out majority of the work within the center. This is to ensure that a student staff member is present at all times during the center’s hours of operation as well as to encourage student staff to build their organizational skills and manage their time well by completing majority of the work within their center. Be available to help out with administrative tasks around the center such as event set-up, managing the front desk sign in, chores, assisting community members, etc.

### **All Staff Meetings**

- All-Staff meetings occur on a weekly basis. They serve to create and build community with the advisors, co-directors, and coordinators.

### **Project Group Meetings**

- Project Group meetings are weekly meetings that serve as a supportive and collaborative space for the initiation and development of student coordinators work and respective SIPHR/SIAPS/SPICEE component projects.

### **One-to-One Meetings (Biweekly)**

- One-to-ones are bi-weekly meetings that serve as a time for the coordinators to check in with support about how they are doing within the work place as well as academically and personally.

### **Additional Meetings/Events/Field Hours**

- The remainder of the weekly hours is more flexible that can be used for various internal/external meetings and assisting/coordinating/facilitating events. If there are no scheduled meetings and/or events that week, allocate these hours to working in the center. These include but are not limited to:
  - SIPHR/SIAPS/SPICEE Steering Committee Meetings
  - Board of Director (BOD) Meetings
  - Co-Coordinator Meetings/Committee Meetings
  - Meetings with Departments
  - Organization/Board Meetings
  - Events

### **A typical 10-19.5 hour week for a SPACES Coordinator:**

- Office Hours – 5 hours
- All Staff Meeting – 1.5 hours
- Project Group Meeting – 1.5 hours
- One-to-one Meetings – 1 hour (Biweekly)
- Field Hours – 1.5 to 6.5 hours
  - Minimum of 1.5 hours per week
  - Additional 5 hours are optional

### **Student Staff Developmental Outcomes**

The overall goal of the SPACES Student Staff program is to provide student staff the opportunity to self-reflect, build community, as well as develop one's professional skills while working towards educational equity. At the end of the year, each coordinator will be able to translate their 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.

**Conditions of Employment:**

In order to be considered for a coordinator OR director position at SPACES, you must agree and adhere to the following conditions:

<b>Conditions</b>	<b>2019-2020 Dates</b>
UC San Diego Undergraduate enrolled in all 3 academic quarters	2019-2020 Academic Year
Not employed at OASIS, or one of UC San Diego’s Campus Community Centers (Black Resource Center, Cross-Cultural Center, LGBT Resource Center, Raza Resource Centro, and Women’s Center), or as a Residential Advisor (RA), or in a high-demand student leadership roles (e.g. chair/vice-chair of a student organization)	2019-2020 Academic Year
If hired at a second job, SPACES must remain as the first priority. Cannot exceed working over a total of 19.5 hours per week during academic sessions per Student Life policies.	2019-2020 Academic Year
Attend All Staff Orientation Meeting	Week 8 May 24, 2019 3:30-4:50PM
Complete hiring paperwork with Student Life Human Resources.	March 9-March 13, 2019
SPACES End of the Year Celebration 2019	Tentative Week 8 May 24, 2019
Participate in SPACES Spring Training Sessions 2019	Week 1: Tuesday April 2, 2019 5-6:50pm Week 4: Tuesday April 23, 2019 5-6:50pm Week 7: Tuesday May 14, 2019 5-6:50pm
Educational Events (Community Centers and/or CORE Org)	TBD
Participate in Job Shadowing (Week 5-8 of Spring Quarter): 2 hours/week	April 29-May 24, 2019
Participate in SPACES All-Staff Summer Retreat	September 4 -September 6, 2019
Attend SPACES All-Staff Training	September 9-20, 2019; M-F 10AM-4PM
Participate in Welcome Week planning and activities	September 23-September 27, 2019
Attend SPACES All-Staff Winter Retreat	TBD
Attend SPACES Weekly Project Group & All-Staff Meetings	Every Tuesday and Thursday; 3:30-4:50PM
Available to work: 10-15 hours/week	2019-2020 Academic Year