Program Instructor (PI)

The California Center for Civic Participation (Cal Center) is looking for energized individuals who can guide and support high school students in our newest program, Avenues to Civic Action (ATCA). The program occurs from September to December 2020, with approximately six virtual meetings. PI’s are expected to actively participate in these virtual sessions, help facilitate break out discussions, and provide some assistance to staff during these sessions. There may be other opportunities throughout the program to further engage with the participants for their final projects. PI’s are encouraged to assist youth in smaller groups outside of the scheduled virtual meetings to support young people as they prepare to take civic action around issues they care about.

Avenues to Civic Action is our newest program aimed to prepare high school students to be agents of change in their respective communities. Youth will gain important knowledge and skills, such as: media literacy, how to be an advocate, how power is built and the process and influence of voting, to name a few. Each virtual meeting has an overarching theme to allow youth to engage deeply with each topic through meaningful discussions. Youth will learn traditional methods of civic action through a historical and racial lens and be encouraged to think creatively about how they can lead others to get engaged in the political process. Youth will then take part in a final project that gets them out into their local community advocating for issues they care about, in spaces where important decisions are being made. Don’t be surprised if you see our youth speaking at a city council meeting or getting your friends and family registered to vote!

Specific Duties and Responsibilities (include but are not limited to)

- Participate in the scheduled virtual meetings on Saturdays (time is TBD) – six meetings that are two hours each
- Facilitate at least 2 separate calls to guide a small group of participants in a youth led project – approximately 3 hours in total
- Review and be familiar with all PI preparation materials and attend all prep calls
- Assist in the support and facilitation of youth group activities and discussions
- Support youth to think critically and creatively in all activities
- Stay well informed about the issues addressed in the program

Job Requirements

- Must be passionate and have experience working with high-school aged youth
- Must be knowledgeable and passionate about current social justice issues & our political climate
- Excellent verbal communication skills with youth and program staff
- Ability to communicate obstacles and/or needs to Cal Center staff
- Must be able to facilitate critical thinking and team-building activities virtually and in-person
Stipend Position Available

Projected Schedule

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This is a paid stipend position. If chosen, you will be compensated $40 per each of the 6 scheduled meetings you attend. We hope that you recognize that your time and energy is invaluable to building up our future generations!

To Apply
Send your resume and application to Drucella Miranda at dmiranda@californiacenter.org no later than September 7, 2020.

The application can be found on our website at [https://www.californiacenter.org/opportunities](https://www.californiacenter.org/opportunities).