



CLYLP INSTITUTE STAFF APPLICATION FORM PEER COUNSELOR

Application Deadline: May 26, 2017

CHICANO LATINO YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROJECT BACKGROUND

The CLYLP is a statewide, community-based volunteer organization whose mission is to enhance and build the leadership potential of California's youth to build communities and create a stronger more prosperous state and nation. CLYLP programs connect young people with community volunteers, policymakers and professionals to promote leadership and civic engagement by strengthening cultural identity, self-confidence and community connections; and open doors to academic achievement, career growth, and leadership opportunities. CLYLP programs provide an opportunity to young people at a crucial moment in their lives to build their capacity and ambition, as well as alter their life courses. Programming motivates young people to pursue their education and become involved, engaged members of their communities.

CLYLP REGIONAL INSTITUTES

CLYLP offers three regional institutes: the Bay Area Institute, the Los Angeles Institute and the San Joaquin Valley Institute. Each institute offers a 3-day intensive program open to 50 incoming juniors and seniors from the designated region. Students are housed at a university campus and attend powerful workshops focused on regional issues.

VOLUNTEERING FOR CLYLP

CLYLP programs provide a life-changing experience for high school students with the help of a special team of volunteers. Serving as institute Facilitators, Peer Counselors and Support Staff, these exceptional individuals commit to spend one weekend mentoring and sharing their talents with students, making a significant impact on the students' lives. CLYLP seeks energetic volunteers from various backgrounds and experiences to guide and shape California's future leaders. CLYLP alumni are especially welcomed to re-connect with the CLYLP *familia* by volunteering as institute staff members.

COMMITMENT AND REQUIREMENTS

The main responsibility of institute staff is to supervise and ensure the safety of the high school participants. Staff is required to participate in all institute activities and must commit to attend and stay on site for the **full three days of the institute**. Volunteers will complete a half-day of training prior to the start of the institute.

PROGRAMS

There are three regional institutes volunteer can apply to serve as staff.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY INSTITUTE	June 23-25, 2017 (Friday to Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 students from the Central Valley• Housed at Fresno State University
BAY AREA INSTITUTE	June 23-25, 2017 (Friday to Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 students from the Bay Area• Housed at UC Berkeley
LOS ANGELES INSTITUTE	August 11-13, 2017 (Friday to Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 students from Los Angeles County• Housed at UCLA

TRAVEL

- Persons selected to become CLYLP Institute staff members will be given further information about their specific roles and duties, as well as the training day and check-in time.
- Volunteers are housed at university campuses, and all activities take place in the designated city.
- **Volunteers must make their own travel arrangements at their own costs.**



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PEER COUNSELOR POSITION

Under the direct supervision of the Facilitator, the Peer Counselor aids in the supervision of ten institute participants. The Peer Counselor helps to monitor students and expedite travel between program sessions/activities. The Peer Counselor's fundamental responsibility is to serve as a positive role model to all student participants.

The Peer Counselor position is an opportunity for CLYLP alumni to demonstrate their leadership abilities by creating a positive and safe experience for the high school participants. It is not a space to recreate your personal experience as a participant.

PEER COUNSELOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Observe and enforce institute rules and guidelines
- Support and adhere to the guidance of assigned Facilitator
- Monitor the whereabouts of assigned students throughout the entire weekend
- Assist with and participate in activities designed to get participants and staff acquainted
- Serve as official recorder for his/her group. Take notes for the group whenever necessary and carry the group's supplies and equipment as assigned
- Assist with the small group sessions
- Other duties as assigned by the Facilitator

Effective Peer Counselors:

- Maintain effective communication with their assigned Facilitator
- Model the behavior expected of all conference staff and student participants
- Stimulate discussion in their group sessions by actively listening and participating in the discussion if relevant and warranted
- Generate enthusiasm, exhibit a positive attitude and contribute to group cohesiveness

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible to serve as a Peer Counselor for a CLYLP Institute, you must:

- Be an **alumni of a CLYLP high school program: SLC, LAI, SJVI or BAI**
- Be a full-time student pursuing an undergraduate degree at a university or community college; **OR**
- Currently be a graduating high school senior and planning to enroll full-time at a community college or university in Fall 2017
- Be local to the institute to which you are applying as a peer counselor (For example, you live and/or are attending college in the Bay Area, Central Valley or Los Angeles).

DEADLINE

The deadline to apply to staff positions for all programs is **May 26, 2017**.

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be carefully reviewed by the Institute staff committee. Staff will be selected using pre-determined selection criteria approved by the CLYLP Board of Directors.

QUESTIONS

For further questions please contact staff-selection@clylp.org.



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PART 1: PROGRAM

Please indicate to which program you are applying to be a peer counselor.

San Joaquin Valley Institute
June 23-25, 2017
@ Fresno State University

Bay Area Institute
June 23-25, 2017
@ UC Berkeley

Los Angeles Institute
August 11-13, 2017
@ UCLA

PART 2: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name (Last, First, Middle) _____

Gender (M/F) _____

Age _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

PART 3: EDUCATION INFORMATION

If you are a high school senior:

- High school name _____
- What college/university do you plan to attend in the fall _____

If you are a college/university student:

- University name: _____ Major: _____
- Check off your year in school:
 - Community College Freshman/1st Year Sophomore/2nd Year Junior/3rd Year Senior/4th Year
 - Other _____

PART 4: CLYLP PARTICIPATION

** CLYLP alum from any program (SLC, SJVI, LAI, BAI) may apply for the Peer Counselor position at any regional institute.

1. Which CLYLP high school programs did you participate in and what years (please indicate if more than one).

<input type="checkbox"/> Sacramento Leadership Conference Year: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Los Angeles Institute Year: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin Valley Institute Year: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Bay Area Institute Year: _____
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2. List any other previous CLYLP involvements (Peer Counselor, Support Staff, Scholarship recipient, Intern, etc.),



PART 5: ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer the following TWO essay questions. Each essay must be typed, and must not exceed 500 words.

Essay #1(500 words)

What have you accomplished since you completed a CLYLP program? Focus on what leadership roles/projects you might have engaged in because of the influence CLYLP had on you.

Essay #2 (500 words)

Why do you feel you would make an excellent Peer Counselor? Focus on what you have to offer or share with student participants that might motivate or encourage them to reach their goals.

PART 6: SIGNATURE

My signature below certifies that all the information provided on this form and in my application is accurate and that I understand the time commitment and responsibilities associated with the institute staff position for which I am applying.

Applicant's Name (print) _____

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

CHECKLIST

- Completed Application Form
- Essay Question #1
- Essay Question #2

DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

- Applications must be RECEIVED by no later than **May 26, 2017** by email to: staff-selection@clylp.org.
- Please write the STAFF POSITION and PROGRAM you are applying to in the Email Subject Line!