

Health Science & Technology Academy (HSTA)

Summer Mentor Job Description & Application

West Virginia University

The Health Science & Technology Academy (HSTA) is looking for Summer Mentors to guide West Virginia high school upcoming junior students in their pursuit of higher education from July 12-27, 2012 on the West Virginia University campus.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

- Mentors are responsible for supervising students to and from academic courses and provide assistance in the classroom when requested by the instructor.
- Assist in the planning, organization and facilitation of evening activities and snacks for camp participants.
- Promote an atmosphere conducive to balancing both academics and social activities. Interact on a personal level with the students and attend social activities and events sponsored by HSTA.
- Stay on campus in the residence halls with the students Sunday through Friday morning each week of camp and maintain visibility. (Mentors will have from Friday at 3pm until Sunday at 12 noon off each week of camp). Attend regular staff meetings.
- Rotation of on-call responsibilities during evening and night hours.
- Other duties as assigned.

DATES: Mandatory Training: July 12-13, 2012
Camp: July 15-27, 2012

SALARY: \$1,000 Stipend plus Room and Board.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- 2 years Undergraduate Experience at WVU or another University
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Experience/ability to relate to a diverse high school population
- Evidence of success in course work in science, math and/or writing
- 2.5 GPA minimum overall.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience supervising and working with High School Aged Students
- Experience tutoring math, science and writing
- Experience with disadvantage youth
- Prior participation in HSTA or similar program

FOR MORE INFORMATION: <http://www.wv-hsta.org/>

1-800-345-4267 in WV only
304-293-1651 Central Admin

TO APPLY: Please obtain application from Wanda Stone (wstone@hsc.wvu.edu)

In addition to the application please include: 2 letters of reference, academic transcripts and resume and send to:

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The Health Sciences and Technology Academy of West Virginia University (WVU) is a 9th-12th grade math and science program which encourages aspirations, opens doors, and empowers minority and underrepresented students and rural communities. West Virginia University has established a seamless approach to health sciences education which shepherds talented minority and underrepresented students through pre-college, college, and graduate training in health sciences programs. This partnership among the numerous units of the state's land grant university and many Appalachian communities brings minority and underrepresented students and teachers to campus each summer for clinic, laboratory, and classroom training and activities. The partnership then provides the infrastructure and support for community-based science projects mentored by teachers, health professions, students and volunteer community leaders during the school year.

The one to two-week campus-based program provides intensive academic enrichment emphasizing science and math for each grade from 9th through 12th as well as laboratory experiences where students work with scientists/clinical practitioners. The students work on projects emphasizing science in ways to develop their knowledge and skills to observe, hypothesize, and develop methods to answer questions which generate knowledge. The hands-on project experiences promote the concept of biology as an experimental science. The students learn to collect, analyze and interpret data as well as communicate their results. Self-esteem building, motivation enhancement, leadership development skills, and study skills are incorporated into the experience.

