Interfaith Animator - Volunteer Description

Volunteer Title: Interfaith Animator
Department: Faith & Spirituality Centre
Term: Fall 2019/Winter 2020
# of Positions: 4-5
Hours: 2-3 hours per week
Length: September 2019 – April 2020

This is a competitive student leadership/volunteer opportunity for UCalgary students.

POSITION DESCRIPTION
The Faith & Spirituality Centre seeks to cultivate a pluralistic community by encouraging cultural and religious literacy, community building, and social change as an integral part of the student experience. We are looking for dedicated and energetic individuals to be a part of our volunteer team.

TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Support the Education Coordinator in fostering interreligious and intercultural engagement on campus; including supporting workshops and training on campus
- Lead and develop opportunities for interreligious and intercultural dialogue on campus
- Student Club Outreach: establish connections with religious/cultural student clubs by building relationships with the clubs and finding ways to connect the clubs with the FSC and support their work on campus
- Attend planning meetings with Education Coordinator
- Meet with Pluralistic Engagement Coordinator to update on programming
- Attend Peer Helper training and other relevant training sessions.
- Other duties as assigned

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS:
As a result of volunteering in this role, students can expect to develop their employability skills in the following focus areas, as outlined by the Conference Board of Canada’s Employability Skills:

- Communication Skills: Gain public speaking, presentation and group facilitation skills;
- Teamwork Skills: Develop skills in understanding group dynamics, engaging in dialogue with others who approach learning, work and world issues differently, and event/project management; and
• **Personal Management Skills:** Learn how your strengths help you succeed, and how to be adaptable in different settings. You will also have the opportunity to work on learning goals in this position using the SMART model.
• Participate in the Intercultural Development Inventory© - an assessment tool to measure and develop your intercultural competencies

**COMMITMENT:**
The Interfaith Animator commitment is approximately 2-3 hours per week.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**
The Faith & Spirituality Centre is a dynamic group of people, with a variety of views and beliefs that seek to foster a student team that will help the FSC stay in tune with student needs and interests. The ideal candidate for Student Team Member:

• Previous experience with dialogue considered an asset
• Works well within a diverse team
• Has a creative passion for getting things done
• Is reliable and can complete projects from start to finish
• Must be open and sensitive to those from a variety of faith traditions or from none at all
• Passion for social justice considered an asset

**APPLICATION PROCESS:**
To apply, please submit a Cover Letter and Resume through Better Impact. This position is open for ongoing applications. For inquiries, please contact Elyse Brazel at 403-220-3899 or elyse.brazel@ucalgary.ca.