**Position Description**: **Interns for Justice (IFJ)**

**SUMMARY:**

In partnership with local and global communities, the Moreau Center engages critical human and environmental concerns through active learning, mutually beneficial service, and experience-based leadership development rooted in Catholic social teaching. All Moreau Center programs center around four core commitments: Social Justice, Solidarity, Community and Reflection.

Interns for Justice (IFJs) stand in solidarity with diverse communities through 8-10 week, intensive, internships. Through engagement with their host organization, they build relationships with the people and communities with which they work and critically examine root causes of poverty and injustice.

**BENEFITS:**

* Professional and personal formation.
* Community Based Leadership training and experience.
* $2,500 stipend for participation in the program, which begins in May

**GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

* Authentic desire to serve with and learn from a specific community.
* Prior work and/or volunteer experience.
* Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
* Desire to deepen understanding around social justice, environmental justice, diversity, equity, and/or inclusion.
* Returning UP student, enrolling in Fall semester.

**TIME COMMITMENT & REQUIRED AVAILABILITY:**

* Attend IFJ individual and group preparation sessions during Spring semester.
* Check in monthly with IFJ program staff throughout the duration of the program.
* Participate in monthly group meetings
* Complete a minimum of 200 hours at internship placement.
* Attend IFJ Wrap-up Session during Fall semester.

**INTERNSHIP SITE LOCATION & DETAILS**

* Participation as an IFJ begins in May
* All Interns serve at different locales which will be determined in May (site locations are not available at time of stipend form submission)

**GENERAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The intern will have a set of responsibilities defined in part by the host organization. IFJ placements should allow for engagement directly with communities and people that the organizations serve. Day to day tasks will be determined by the needs of the organization and the skills and interests of the intern.

In addition to responsibilities to the host organization, the Intern will have responsibilities to The University of Portland’s Moreau Center:

* Secure placement with host organization, in conversation with Moreau Center staff.
* Engage in direct service for 8 – 10 weeks (200 hours goal) to meet community-identified needs
* Participate fully in programmatic elements, including:
  + Completion of the Learning Agreement (Handshake).
  + Keep log of engagement hours/tasks.
  + Personal reflection and social analysis, through journaling, blogging, peer-check-ins, community conversations, and informational interviews with professionals in the field.
  + Submit Written Reflection upon completion of program.

**REPORTING RELATIONSHIP:**

* IFJ is managed by the Moreau Center and interns are under the advisory of IFJ staff.

*Moreau Center Leadership Positions are open to all students. If you have a disability, health concern, or special dietary needs, please contact us to determine what reasonable accommodations can be made to facilitate leadership and participation.*