



Notice of Volunteer Internship Opportunity

College Mission

Cuesta College is an inclusive institution that inspires a diverse student population to achieve their educational goals. We effectively support students in their efforts to improve foundational skills, transfer to four-year institutions, earn certificates or associate degrees, and advance in the workforce.

Through dynamic and challenging learning opportunities, Cuesta College improves lives by promoting cultural, intellectual, and professional growth. We prepare students to become engaged citizens in our increasingly complex communities and world.

Vision

Cuesta College is dedicated to accessible, high-quality education for the support and enhancement of student success, professional development, and the community we serve.

Values

Access - Success – Excellence

Student Life & Leadership Intern (2024-2025)

Brief Description of the Department's Mission and Goals:

The purpose of the Student Life and Leadership department is to assist the student population in the development of programs that serve and actively involve a wide range of students. Opportunities for multi-faceted personal and professional growth are extended to students through student government (ASCC), participation in shared governance, clubs and organizations, Basic Needs Center/Cougar Food Pantry, and campus and cultural events. The Student Life and Leadership department also helps students to gain exposure to a breadth of cultural, social, and intellectual perspectives of the world beyond the local community.

Duties/Responsibilities:

Under direct supervision of the Director of Student Engagement and the Basic Needs Coordinator, the Intern will do the following:

- Assist Student Life and Leadership team in developing an active student government and activities program;
- Assist Student Life and Leadership team with cultural programs/services/events;
- Assist with Basic Needs Center programs/services (i.e. food pantry and food bank distribution);

- Work with student leaders to coordinate, develop and implement student programs produced by student government;
- Assist in the supervision of various student-initiated activities (day or evening):
- Work with the Director of Student Engagement to develop and implement program goals, objectives, and budget planning for student government, clubs and organizations;
- Attend student government meetings, retreats, conferences, committees, and program-related activities;
- Produce promotional materials (i.e. flyers and other written materials) using desktop and web-based publishing programs;
- Assist the Student Life and Leadership and Basic Needs team with the development of student-centered social media advertisement campaigns;
- Provide guidance to Student Life and Leadership student employees on various projects and work assignments;
- Be student-centered in both philosophy and purpose;
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the performance of duties;
- Demonstrate a sensitivity to and understanding of the diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural and ethnic background of staff and students;
- Demonstrate a sensitivity to and understanding of staff and students with physical and/or learning disabilities;
- Be aware of the philosophy and objectives of California Community Colleges;
- Be cognizant of the mission, vision, and values of Cuesta College, using them as broad guidelines in counseling and assisting students;
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications Required:

- Currently enrolled in a Master's program in Education or related field;
- Experience in programing or planning student activities;
- Background in advising student organizations;
- Knowledge of basic program planning concepts;
- Experience working with socially, economically, and educationally disadvantaged students;
- Ability to hand a broad range of highly sensitive interpersonal situations with tact and diplomacy;
- Professional and punctual behavior;
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and adhere to other ethical standards in the service of students and staff alike;
- Experienced in prioritizing tasks and meeting deadlines in a fast-paced, high-volume work environment.

Qualifications Desired:

- Bilingual/Bicultural;
- Leadership training;
- Interpersonal and communication skills;
- Technological literacy.

Anticipated Number of Hours per Week:

- 15-20

Days/Time Preferred:

- Anytime Monday through Friday between 9:00am – 4:00pm (negotiable). Shifts may include evenings.

Other Specifications:

- Site location: San Luis Obispo and North County (Paso Robles) Campuses, and South County Center (Arroyo Grande).