



Who is eligible to apply? Allied Health, Graduate Studies, and Nursing students who are seeking an opportunity to expand their education beyond the classroom into the community environment with service learning are encouraged to apply for an internship through the Community Outreach Program (COP). The application process is competitive meaning that there are more applicants than there are openings in the internship program. Interns will be compensated for a combination of 135 hours of individual and group volunteer work at not-for-profit agencies through the Work Study program. Funding will come from either internal sources or the federal Work Study program.

Why should you apply? The Community Outreach Program was created to expose students to the benefits of voluntarily helping others and, from this experience, to promote lifelong volunteerism. Our goals are to encourage volunteerism in the students at the University of Kansas Medical Center and to use service learning to expose our future healthcare clinicians, policy analysts, and researchers to social, economic, and cultural diversity while developing new meaning and understanding from the COP experience. We believe that the COP internship program allows students to gain an understanding of the diversity of needs and values of the people in the community that will in turn enrich the healthcare work that they will perform. This program unifies the Schools of Allied Health, Graduate Studies, and Nursing.

Where will you provide volunteer service? All hours must be completed in either Wyandotte or Douglas Counties. Currently there are 41 not-for-profit agencies in the COP database that accept COP interns. The COP staff assists, as necessary, the placement of interns at the agencies where they wish to volunteer. The current list of agencies is on the back of this information page. We are especially excited about new volunteer opportunities in the areas of disaster preparedness, bioterrorism, and refugee resettlement.

How do you apply? Apply by returning the application on the following page to 3001 Student Center. Applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on September 9, 2005. Interviews will be conducted between September 12 – 16, 2005, and applicants will be notified of the outcome of their applications by September 20, 2005.

When would you start and what are your commitments? Your term of service begins with our first meeting—orientation—on Saturday, October 1, 2005, and concludes the following spring, generally the last day of May. This position is for 135 hours of volunteer work representing a combination of individual and group service. Included in these hours are (a) the Orientation Retreat on October 1, 2005, (b) optional participation in the KUMC capstone event for disaster preparedness on September 21 and 23 (In this activity we will serve as trauma patients from a terrorism event!), (c) mandatory group meetings such as the Meet and Greet event on Monday, October 3, 2005 from 12 – 1 p.m., (d) monthly Saturday half-day group volunteer projects, (e) written and face-to-face program evaluations, (f) your agency work, and (g) the COP Showcase presentation on April 17, 2006. Applicants should be willing and able to meet all of these requirements.

Questions? If you have any questions, please contact John Araujo, Student Director, at jaraujo@kumc.edu or Theresa Brown, COP Program Advisor, at tbrown4@kumc.edu or 913-588-6681 or visit us on the Web at www.kumc.edu/cop.



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Please Check One

- I am not eligible for federal work-study.
 I am eligible for federal work-study.

If you are unsure of your work-study eligibility, you must confirm it through the Student Financial Aid office at 913-588-5170 before you submit this application. Federal work study qualifications will not impact your status as an applicant to COP.

Please answer the application below questions on separate paper. No answer should exceed 200 words.

1. Why do you want to be a COP intern?
2. Tell us about your experience with community service work and/or volunteering, including team-oriented projects.
3. Tell us about your skills that would make you an effective COP member?
4. Tell us about other important commitments, excluding academic. How will these impact your COP service?
5. In your own words, please tell us what you understand the internship program requirements to be.

I verify that all information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and I have represented my own ideas honestly in all answers. I also give permission to the Community Outreach Program advisor to verify my academic standing.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this completed application form along with your answers by September 9, 2005, 4:30 p.m. to 3001 Student Center. Interviews will be scheduled from September 12 – 16, 2005, and if you are accepted and accept the position, you are expected to attend orientation on October 1, 2005. If you have any questions, please contact John Araujo, Student Director, at jaraujo@kumc.edu or Theresa Brown, COP Program Advisor, at tbrown4@kumc.edu or 913-588-6681.



List of Not-for-Profit Agencies Hosting COP Interns

Wyandotte County

Accessible Arts, INC
American Red Cross
Associated Youth Services
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City
Cancer Action
Children's Museum of Kansas City
Classroom Tutors & Mentors
Cross-Lines
Duchesne Clinic
El Centro
Franklin Center
Friendship Inn
Good Samaritan Project
Habitat for Humanity
Harvesters
Kansas Multicultural Alcohol and Drug Treatment Center (KMADT)
Kansas State School for the Blind
Kaw Valley Center
KC Reads
KUMC Kids
Odyssey Healthcare
Project Eagle
Reach Out and Read Kansas City
Ronald McDonald House
Rosedale Developmental Association
Ruby Avenue Baptist Church
Salvation Army
St. Benedict's Child Care Center
Turner House Clinic
United Way of Wyandotte Co, Inc.
Wyandotte County Health Department
of Reading and Literacy
YouthBuild
YouthFriends
YMCA (KCK Branch)
YWCA

Douglas County

Douglas County Senior Services
First Step House
Health Care Access
Headquarters Counseling Center
Hospice Care in Douglas County
Lawrence, Douglas County Health Department