NIU Service Leader Application Preview

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Z-ID
First Name
Last Name
Preferred Email Address
Major
Minor
Current GPA

What year are you in school?
When do you expect to graduate?
Are you a first-generation college student (i.e., neither of your parents has a four-year degree)?
Are you work-study eligible?

ACADEMIC RECORD & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List your previous community engagement or volunteer experiences, including name of the organization and the nature and duration of your involvement.

List your community engagement experiences in academic/extracurricular organizations and activities (e.g., service-learning class, scholarships, internships, awards).

List your previous experiences mentoring, tutoring, teaching, or working with youth.

PERSONAL ESSAYS

Please respond to the questions below in 500 words or less.

Describe how you have been involved with the community or how you have helped others. Please further explain why you have served in the past and how these experiences have helped develop you as a person.

Describe how participation in this program will affect your academic and college experience. Please list specific skills you are hoping to gain from this experience.

Commitment in the NIU Service Leaders program includes working 5-10 hours a week and attending monthly cohort meetings. Explain how you plan to manage your time to meet these program requirements.
COMMUNITY SITE PREFERENCE

There are four community sites in the NIU Service Leaders program. Please rank the community sites based on your preferred placement.

- **Center for P-20 Engagement** - you will assist with events such as STEMfest, Huskie Hack, STEM Read Fall field trip, Hack for Good, NIU Destination Imagination, and STEM Read Spring field trip. You will assist with day-to-day operations such as social media, posting flyers on campus, event preparation, and collaboration with STEM Outreach team as needed. Several events are on the weekend so weekend availability is necessary.

- **Clinton Rosette Middle School** - you will work with youth through encouraging civic engagement activities, mentoring, and one-on-one tutoring. School hours are 7:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Most afterschool programming is 2:30-3:50 p.m. on Thursdays so Thursday availability is preferred. A short background check is required.

- **Jerry L. Johns Literacy Clinic** - you will assist with programs that strengthen literacy such as providing upkeep and materials for the Little Free Libraries, assist front desk, and literacy tutoring. Tutoring is 4-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Each child is matched with a tutor that remains consistent for the semester. A short background check and training is required to be a tutor.

- **Sycamore High School** - you will work with youth through encouraging civic engagement activities, mentoring, and one-on-one tutoring. Your work will be mainly during the school hours, but afterschool involvement may be available. School hours are 7:10 a.m. - 3:10 p.m. An extensive background check is required. Sycamore High School is 15 minutes away so owning a car is preferred.

Please attach letter of recommendation below.