



## **DIAL/SELF AmeriCorps Member - service // education // arts**

***Applications will be reviewed in early December.***

***\*\*these are 6-month full-time service positions\*\****

Are you passionate about education, youth, the arts and social justice?

Join the DIAL/SELF AmeriCorps Team!

DIAL/SELF AmeriCorps members create positive youth development opportunities in schools and local agencies throughout the Pioneer Valley of Western MA. AmeriCorps members use a creative, collaborative, student-centered approach to support young people's autonomy, belonging and personal learning aspirations. Members gain practical experience and build leadership skills that transfer across careers and vocations, particularly those related to education, youth work, arts, social justice, nonprofits and community work.

The DIAL/SELF AmeriCorps program has three core elements:

**On-site youth work** at a local school or nonprofit.

**Team service project** in collaboration with youth and community.

**Weekly training and reflection** to build youth work skills and increase knowledge.

### **Position #1:**

#### **Site Coordination Assistant at the Collaborative for Educational Services**

- Assist in recruiting and orienting qualified staff, including activity leaders and volunteers.
- Assist in facilitating ongoing communication amongst staff, team building opportunities, and regular staff meetings to reflect on program operation and quality.
- Assist in effective use of the after school on-site observation tool which includes oral and/or written feedback for line staff around program quality.
- Assist in implementing a program which offers students balanced enrichment offerings to engage in (arts, health and nutrition, STEAM, literacy, etc).
- Assist in activating advisory councils that include parents, youth, school personnel, and community representation that set policy and provide advice about future directions.
- Work with students directly as an assistant to the lead teacher.
- Maintain records and files in designated fashion.
- Submit required student data within defined time lines.
- Maintain inventory of materials and equipment, and participate in ordering when necessary.
- Attend all relevant CES after school trainings and planning meetings.

### **Position #2:**

#### **Teacher/Tutor/Program Assistant at North Star: Self-Directed Learning for Teens**

- Teach 1-5 classes per week in topics chosen by member and/or desired by teens.
- Tutor 10-15 hours per week as requested by teens.
- Serve as mentor and supervisor in Common Room area and elsewhere as needed.
- Support core staff with trips and other activities outside of North Star.
- Support core staff with outreach and research projects.
- Participate in staff meetings and staff development as required.
- Serve as a positive presence and support within the extended North Star community.
- Model curiosity, openness, and a passion for learning.
- Support and promote diversity.

### **Curious about the benefits?? Half-Term DSAP members...**

- Earn a compensation package of up to \$9,460, including personal/sick days. Package includes a Stipend of up to \$6,500 and Education Award of up to \$2,960. The Education Award can be used to pay for pre-existing student loans or future education costs.
- Receive free health care and child care as needed.
- Gain practical experience and build leadership skills that transfer across careers and vocations, particularly those related to education, youth work, the arts, social justice, nonprofits, social work, and community building.
- Make connections that lead to future opportunities in this region and beyond.
- Participate in a supportive learning community that challenges members to build on their strengths and put their values into practice.

**These 6-month positions will begin in early January and continue through June 2018.  
APPLY NOW! Applications will be reviewed in early December.**

For more information or to download and complete an application, please visit:

<http://www.dialself.org/ameri-corps.html>

or Contact: Allison Scott, DSAP Member Coordinator, [ascott@dialself.org](mailto:ascott@dialself.org), 413 774 7054 x101

Members must be at least 18 years old and U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals or lawful Permanent Residents. Youth work experience is recommended, but not required. Some work history is necessary. Because part of the region is rural, it is highly beneficial to have a driver's license with access to reliable transportation. AmeriCorps celebrates diversity, is intentionally inclusive, and protects against discrimination on the basis of color, race, ethnicity, nationality, sex, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, or disability. Reasonable accommodations can be made for interviews and service.