

ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PROGRAM ASSISTANT – STUDY SESSION

Program: Study Session is an academic retention program at Cal Poly that provides peer-to-peer facilitation to lead weekly collaborated discussions based academic sessions for specific lower division STEM courses, focusing: biology, chemistry, physics, statistics, engineering, computer science, and mathematics.

Position: The Program Assistant provides administrative support to the Coordinator and office staff.

Typical Duties: Respond to email and phone calls daily; meet with Coordinator for program planning weekly; work closely with the program database to coordinate study session schedules; prepare agenda for weekly staff meetings on Thursdays from 11:10 am to noon and facilitate those staff meetings; assist with student leader recruitment. **Please see the detailed list of responsibilities for more information.**

Qualifications: Currently enrolled Cal Poly student in good academic standing (GPA 3.0+), who is able to commit to working all academic year quarters (fall, winter, and spring quarters).

• We are looking to hire 2 positions that can start training in Winter 2021 and Spring 2021 and go live working Fall 2021, winter 2020, spring 2020

Compensation: Starting wage is \$14.00 per hour. Future increases based upon work performance, hours worked since prior increase, and budget constraints.

Hours: Each quarter, the Program Assistant develops a schedule of 12-20 hours per week Monday through Friday. Study Session will work around a student's academic schedule and can accommodate shifts during a standard 8:00 am to 6:00 work day.

Job Knowledge/Skills Required:

- 1. Operate PC
- 2. Knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite/Office 365
- 3. Google Applications
- 4. Possess the ability to focus in a busy work environment.
- 5. Able to shift from one task to another readily.

Interpersonal Skills:

- Works collaboratively with students, staff, instructors, and campus partners.
- Proactive self-starter with an ability to meet deadlines.
- Well-organized, makes good use of time, and anticipates future events.
- Attention to detail; good follow through.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to adapt and transition constructively as the Program and position adjust.
- Knowledgeable of relevant campus resources.
- Ability to interact appropriately and respectfully with people regardless of culture, socio-economic level, gender, or ethnic origin.

Supervisor: Trevor Forzetting, Coordinator

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Submission Process

- Open the attached Study Session application in Word do not use Google Docs:
 - Change the file name from "PA Application Study Sessions" to: last name, first name
- 2. Return your application to studysession@calpoly.edu
 - o Please label the subject line as "Program Assistant Application" when you email your application.
- 3. Study Sessions will evaluate your application and contact you if an interview is desired.

DETAILED RESPONSIBILITIES

Study Session Scheduling for Fall, Winter, and Spring Quarters

- Communicate with Coordinator about current and future program needs.
- Communicate with facilitators regarding their schedules for each quarter.
- Communicate with University Scheduling about the coming quarter's schedule and edits.

Facilitator Interaction

- Assist Coordinator in providing support, training, and assistance to new and returning facilitators.
- Email facilitators with reminders as needed (scheduling, payroll, holidays, etc.).
- Coordinate substitutes.

Phone, Email, and Data Entry

- Utilize Office 365
- Use Microsoft Excel to manage and view data / create new spreadsheets.
- Respond to emails daily.
- Respond to in person questions from leaders and students.
- Organize facilitator budget projections; update budget spreadsheet.
- Check Study Session website for accuracy and current documents.
- Provide support and ideas to improve Study Session website
- Update and maintain staff PolyLearn site.
- Answer phone and return voicemails.

Database

- Maintain fall, winter, and spring databases using FileMaker.
- Enter and edit data as needed.

Staff Meetings

- Develop the weekly meeting agenda and review with Coordinator.
- Prepare any materials and set up the room for the staff meeting.
- Co-lead and facilitate meeting and discussions with Coordinator and Senior Leaders.
- Email meeting minutes after the meeting; follow up with any facilitators who were absent.

Recruitment

- Create and edit job descriptions.
- Receive and screen applications; schedule interviews with selected applicants.
- Prepare interview materials; interview candidates with Coordinator and Senior Leaders.
- Discuss candidates with Coordinator and Senior Leaders following the interview.
- Complete on-boarding paperwork with new hires.

Marketing

Assist Coordinator in marketing study session to students, faculty, and advising staff to increase enrollment.

Quarterly Assessments

Track assessment completion rates.



• Review results with Coordinator.