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Give Back During the Holiday Season: *Volunteering*

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To say we are busy during the holidays is an understatement. School, work, internships, office hours, study groups, exercise, networking/holiday events...How do we sleep? Juggling our schedule can be exhausting and time consuming. So I respect and understand that your free time is limited and precious. But please do not forget that as busy as we are, we are still significantly more fortunate than most. Even volunteering for just one hour will make a huge difference. Aside from feeling like you made a positive contribution to your community, volunteering is also a great way to network and make connections that can lead to great opportunities. If your volunteer efforts are significant, you might also secure a letter of recommendation and/or reference form the organization you are helping. If you are in Los Angeles for the holiday (or year-round), please consider helping the following organizations at these events:

AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES!!

Big Sunday

Big Sunday will be having two events for St. Vincent Meal on Wheels in the coming weeks. Volunteers are needed to prepare and deliver food to homebound hungry seniors every day of the year. Event details:

Tuesday, December 28, 2010

Tuesday, January 4, 2011

You can find more info by going to <http://www.bigsunday.org/calendar/>, clicking on the event and the date.

To register, click [here](#).

(<http://spreadsheets.google.com/a/southcentralscholars.org/viewform?formkey=dElrMINiTUpjXzdISFNhSzdiQ01VNWc6MQ>).

College Access Institute

SCS is working for the first time ever to help middle and early high school students! The College Access Institute (CAI) is an 8-month program that aims to create a college-ready culture among South Central Los Angeles 6th - 9th grade students. We are in need of volunteers/chaperones for CAI for the following Saturdays:

January 8

February 12

March 12

April 9

May 7

June 4

You can volunteer ANYTIME between the hours of 9am and 4pm. Volunteer opportunities include: helping with registration, set-up, bus chaperones, presenting to the students, and/or clean-up. Continental breakfast and lunch is provided for all volunteers. This is a wonderful opportunity to give back, not only to your community but to show your appreciation for SCS.

For more information, please email: dominique.reese@gmail.com.

Alzheimer's Association

Current available opportunities include: Committee volunteers, Development/Event volunteers, Education volunteers, Health Fair volunteers, Interfaith Outreach volunteers, Office volunteers, Programs & Services volunteers, Public Policy volunteers, and Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators volunteers.

Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Mallory Gompert, for more information at 949.757.3705 or by e-mail at Mallory.Gompert@alz.org.

And if you haven't had a chance to yet....

South Central Scholars is having a Holiday Party on January 2, 2011!

NEW LOCATION:

Dockweiler Youth Center

12505 Vista del Mar, El Segundo, CA 90245

[Click here to register for the 2011 SCS Holiday Get-Together!](http://spreadsheets.google.com/a/southcentralscholars.org/viewform?formkey=dHV2N0M0OS1haKxPakdTdW11aHBFYVE6MA#gid=0)

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Pre-Law Boot Camp at UC Davis School of LAW

Program Description:

The UC Davis School of Law Pre-Law Boot Camp (PLBC) is designed to assist high potential undergraduate students with their undergraduate performance and preparation for admission to law school. PLBC consists of a series of workshops during the spring 2011 semester that will help prepare undergraduate students for the law school application process and expose them to legal fields. Attendance is mandatory at ALL sessions.

Program Dates

Session One: February 5, 2011 Session Two: February 26, 2011 Session Three: March 5, 2011

At no cost to the participant, participants attend and/or receive:

- Workshops on pre-law preparation and law school admission
- Presentations by law school professors and attorneys
- Mentoring by current UC Davis law students
- Individual pre-law advising including their own pre-law action plan
- Critiqued writing assignments
- Practice LSATs

Eligibility:

Students must be first-generation college students **OR** come from an economically disadvantaged background and...

- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher (calculated on a 4.33 scale)
- Are a current junior or senior in good standing
(Sophomore students are highly encouraged to consider applying for the King Hall Outreach Program)
- Intend to go to law school, but not currently in the process of applying for Fall 2011 law enrollment

Contact by phone 530.754.7776 or email, outreach@law.ucdavis.edu with your questions.

<http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/outreach>

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS! Deadline to apply is January 12, 2011.

For complete eligibility criteria, instructions and application please visit:

<http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/outreach/pre-law-boot-camp.html>

Register for the next Career Planning & Job Placement Panel

Wednesday, January 12, 2010 6:00PM - 7:00PM

South Central Scholars invites you to attend a Career Planning and Job Placement Panel.

The panel will focus on **Career Planning: Next Steps Before Graduation**. Guest panelists are:

- ❖ Dave Long, President and CEO of DBL Associates
- ❖ Linda Baldwin, Assistant Dean of Diversity Initiatives at the UCLA Anderson School of Business

To register, go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/191658738>.

Education Pioneers Analyst and Graduate School Fellowships

Analyst Fellowship

San Francisco Bay Area, Greater Boston Area

www.educationpioneers.org

About the Analyst Fellowship

Education Pioneers' Analyst Fellowship is a full-time, paid, 10-month program that places talented early career professionals with private sector experience ("Fellows") into mission-critical roles in school districts, charter management organizations, nonprofits, and other leading education organizations ("Partners").

Applying to the Analyst Fellowship

The Analyst Fellowship has a multi-step admissions process that incorporates an application, essay, and interviews. We encourage all candidates to apply via www.educationpioneers.org prior to our priority deadline on **February 1, 2011**. Final deadline is **April 1, 2011**.

Work and Fellowship Experience

Education Pioneers matches and places each Fellow with a high-level supervisor at one of our Partner organizations on an important initiative that maximizes the Fellow's skills and experience.

* Salary and benefits: \$45,000 for 10 months of full-time work (\$4,500 per month), plus benefits.

Minimum Qualifications

- A bachelor's degree
- A minimum of 2 years of full-time professional work experience (by August 2011). Undergraduate summer work cannot be considered collectively as full-time work experience
- A minimum of 2 years of experience in highly analytical roles
- Authorization to work in the United States. (We are unable to provide visa assistance)

To apply, click [here](http://www.educationpioneers.org/ApplyToday). (<http://www.educationpioneers.org/ApplyToday>)

Graduate School Fellowship

Los Angeles, Bay Area, Greater Boston Area, Chicago, DC Metro Area, Houston, New York Metro Area

www.educationpioneers.org

About the Graduate School Fellowship

Education Pioneers Graduate School Fellowship recruits and develops talented business, law, policy and education graduate students with diverse professional backgrounds and helps them launch high-level education leadership careers through the paid 10-week Summer Graduate School Fellowship. The Fellowship features **high-impact work experience** as a project consultant for a leading education organization, **professional development** workshops that examine complex urban education issues and deepen Fellows' understanding of reform, and access to **a robust, nationwide network** of industry experts and Alumni.

Applying to the Analyst Fellowship

The Analyst Fellowship has a multi-step admissions process that incorporates an application, essay, and interviews. We encourage all candidates to apply via www.educationpioneers.org prior to our priority deadline on **December 15th, 2010**. Final deadline is **February 1, 2011**.

Work Experience

We work with each Fellow to place you with an education organization on an important initiative where you can maximize your skills and experience. *Work experience details:

- Stipend: \$7,000 (\$700/week for 10 weeks of full-time work)
- Fellow's skills and interests matched with organization needs
- Work on a mission critical project; under supervision of experienced leader; clearly defined scope of work

Minimum Qualifications

- Have completed at least 2 years of full-time professional work experience. Undergraduate summer work cannot be considered collectively as full-time work experience
- Have completed at least ONE year of graduate studies or obtained graduate degree within TWO years of the Summer Fellowship Program start
- Authorization to work in the United States. (We are unable to provide visa assistance)
- Be able to commit to a ten-week program and all mandatory summer events, including 5 workshops.

To apply, click [here](http://www.educationpioneers.org/ApplyToday). (<http://www.educationpioneers.org/ApplyToday>)

JOBS

Non-profit Engagement Coordinator, Metamorphosis Project – Los Angeles

The Metamorphosis Project research team at the University of Southern California's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism is seeking a part-time Nonprofit Engagement Coordinator to lead online and offline engagement efforts in the Los Angeles area. The Nonprofit Engagement Coordinator will lead the project's efforts for outreach with local nonprofit leaders, facilitate inter-organizational discussions, and coordinate events and research workshops for community organizations. Excellent written, verbal and online communication skills and a pro-active work ethic are requirements. The job will require a time commitment of 10-15 hours per week, paid on an hourly basis depending on qualifications. The timeline for the position runs from January 2011 to May 31, 2011, with a strong possibility for extension. **Please E-mail a resume and cover letter to:** gbroad@usc.edu.

Community & Parent Engagement Manager, Green Dot Public Schools – Los Angeles

Essential Duties & Responsibilities include: Manage student recruitment practices for Green Dot schools Form a community of practice with parent coordinators at Green Dot school sites; Develop outreach collateral for student recruitment and community campaigns; Execute community outreach campaigns. The salary for this position will be between \$60,000 and \$80,000, based upon experience. Requirements: At least 5 years experience in organizing, grassroots marketing or public relations, and have experience managing diverse teams and community organizing campaigns; Bachelor's degree is required (graduate degree a plus) in Political Science or Education. **We require all candidates to complete an online application at:** <https://edzapp.com/applicant/LoginPrivate.aspx?OriginCode=22768>.

Program Manager, Constituency Services (Education) – Los Angeles

The Program Manager for Constituency Services will support the NALEO Education Leadership Initiative (NELI), a portfolio focused on governance training and Latino education policy. The Program Manager will perform corresponding outreach and logistical follow-up on portfolio initiatives. Additionally, the Program Manager will be responsible for researching and analyzing education policies; assisting in the development of electronic newsletters; coordinating audio conferences and other day-to-day activities of the program. This is a full time, non-exempt position located, with wages in the range of \$15.38 to \$19.23 per hour, commensurate with experience. *Applications due Friday, December 24, 2010.*

Please send salary history and resume to:

Ms. Erica Bernal Martinez, Senior Director of Communications and Programs

Tel: (213) 747-7606 - Fax: (213) 747-7664 - E-Mail: ebernal@naleo.org

Business Advisors, Los Angeles Regional SBDC Network – Southern and Northern CA (various cities)

SBDC is looking to expand the expertise of our Network and are preparing now for additional funding coming to us from Congress and the California State Legislature. Interested in hiring business advisors who have a focus/specialty in international trade, loan packaging assistance (e.g. former bankers), green technology, and social media, but we are hiring in a variety of other areas including HR, legal assistance, general small business consulting, etc. SBDCs hiring immediately: Long Beach City College (SBDC and Center for International Trade Development), El Camino College (Hawthorne, CA), Santa Monica College, San Gabriel Valley. SBDCs hiring in the next few months: College of the Canyons (Santa Clarita, CA), Economic Development Collaborative (Located in Camarillo and serving both Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties), Pacific Coast Regional (Korea Town – Los Angeles). Pays \$45/hour. Up to 19 hours/week. No benefits. *Please note a "soft" deadline of this Thursday, December 16th and a "hard" deadline of next week – Thursday, December 23rd by 5:00pm.*

Applications can be downloaded by clicking here: [SBDC Business Advisor Application](#).

Staff Assistant Position, US Senator Dianne Feinstein's Office – Los Angeles

Ideal candidate must be high-performing; excel in their writing; verbal skills; intelligent; have an engaging personality and enjoy working with people. This is a full-time, 40-hour per week, entry-level position that includes a full range of benefits. Resume, Cover Letter, and Writing sample, required to apply. Please address your cover letter to: Trevor J. Daley, District Director **All cover letters and resumes should be emailed directly to Molly O'Brien at:** Molly_O'Brien@feinstein.senate.gov or faxed to 310.914.7318.

More internship opportunities come in to the SCS office every month, so make sure to visit our Scholar Center (http://www.southcentralscholars.org/scholar_center) and fill out the Internship Application Form to get more detailed information on how to apply to these opportunities!

For more Employment Opportunities, please visit our Career Center at:

http://southcentralscholars.org/scholar_center-career_center

CALENDAR

JANUARY 2011

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY / SUNDAY
					1/2 Sunday: Holiday Party 5:00-7:00PM
3	4	5	6	7	8/9 Saturday: Financial Aid Workshop 1-3:00PM CAI 10:00AM-3:00PM
10	11	12 Career/Job Panel Webinar 6:00-7:00PM	13 Pomona Campus Visit 5:00-7:00PM	14	15/16 Saturday: USC Health Fair 11:30AM-2:30PM
17	18	19	20 USC Campus Visit 5:00-7:00PM	21	22/23
24	25	26	27 UCLA Campus Visit 5:00-7:00PM	28	

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Holiday Party

Sunday, January 2, 2011
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Dockweiler Youth Center
12505 Vista del Mar, El Segundo, CA 90245

[Click here to register](#)

College Access Institute (CAI)

Saturday, January 8, 2011
10:00AM – 3:00 PM
Location TBD

Email: dominique.reese@gmail.com!

2011 SCS Financial Aid Workshop

Saturday, January 8, 2011
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
9300 Crenshaw Blvd., Inglewood

[Click here to register](#)

Career Planning and Job Placement Panel

Wednesday, January 12, 2011
6:00-7:00PM
Webinar

[Click here to register](#)

Pomona Colleges Campus Visit 2011

Thursday, January 13, 2011
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location TBD

Email wendy@southcentralscholars.org!

USC Health Fair

Saturday, January 15, 2011
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
9300 Crenshaw Blvd., Inglewood

Just show up! Come one, come all!

USC Campus Visit 2011

Thursday, January 20, 2011
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location TBD
Los Angeles, CA

Email wendy@southcentralscholars.org!

UCLA Campus Visit 2011

Thursday, January 27, 2011
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location TBD
Los Angeles, CA

Email wendy@southcentralscholars.org!