Possible +EXP Coursework Summer 2019-Spring 2020

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If interested in any of these opportunities for the summer/fall, please contact Christopher Sellers (christopher.sellers@stonybrook.edu) and Sarah Mikels (sarah.mikels@stonybrook.edu) by May 20.

**Huntington Housing Coalition:**

Mission: To encourage the development of affordable new and rehabilitated homes, both rental and ownership, for low and moderate income individuals and families in Huntington. We do this by assessing and documenting the need; educating the public; identifying, monitoring, and promoting affordable housing opportunities and collaborating with other public and private organizations.

Two opportunities for experiential learning with our group, which works to promote affordable housing in Huntington.

- Panel discussion in a pub-like setting targeting 20-40 year olds: help on site to check people in, promoting the program.

- We are doing research paper this year (like every other year) to quantify the need the affordable housing. The data is findable—we know where and how—but we could use help pulling this data together and making sure it is properly cited. A creative person might even find some new angles on it. This year we are particularly focused on assessing (grading) the extent to which the Town of Huntington's Horizons 2020 Housing Plan from 2008, found on the Town's web site, has been fulfilled. If you are interested, you might look over in advance; we could then direct your activities.

**Karuna For Animals: Compassion In Action, Inc.:**

Mission: Karuna For Animals: Compassion In Action, Inc. is an all volunteer, yoga-based, 501(c)3 non-profit organization, whose members seek to promote compassion (karuna), peace (shanti) and loving-kindness (maitri) for animals of all species. It is our mission to raise awareness and funds for the rights of all animals. Through a dedicated practice of the science of yoga, ethical veganism, community outreach, humane education, events and workshops, we aim to cultivate the change we hope to see in the world.

We are always looking for volunteer help with social media accounts. As well as help for various events that come up throughout the year.
Long Island Civic Engagement Table (LICET):

Mission: The Long Island Civic Engagement Table (LICET) transforms the culture of civic participation and government accountability on Long Island by nurturing grassroots participation and leadership in working class communities of color.

Over the summer into the fall, we’re undertaking nonpartisan voter engagement projects, to raise awareness and encourage voting in Long Island communities with low turnout. We’re also gearing up for an upcoming project regarding the 2020 census, which will seek to make sure that those in these same communities are appropriately and accurately counted.

Long Island Jobs with Justice:

Mission: Long Island Jobs with Justice is a coalition of workers, people of faith, community members, and students that promotes workers and immigrant rights and economic justice. We are committed to creating living wage jobs, supporting organizing, and demanding corporate accountability in our communities.

This summer 2019 we’re undertaking a survey of community perceptions of policing on Long Island, which we invite students to help us administer. Ours is one of the most segregated regions in the United States, with a history of bias-based policing that is tangled up in the systemic racism. The survey we are undertaking seeks to assess the differential impacts of policing on communities across the island, including the degree to which exposure to policing or direct experiences of being stopped, detained, and arrested have been concentrated among minority and low-income residents.

Rural and Migrant Ministries:

Mission: We work with rural leaders, both young and older, who are committed to equality and cooperative opportunity, especially within agricultural systems. We also support people in faith, labor and university communities who seek to stand with rural leaders as allies.

We offer semester and summer internships and an Alternative Spring Break. We also have a history of working with motivated students on projects they propose, either because the projects are outside of our current programming or because they need a shorter-term involvement.