



POSITION OPENING

Health and Wholeness Advocacy Office (HWA)

Wider Church Ministries (WCM), A Covenanted Ministry of the United Church of Christ (UCC)
Cleveland, Ohio

Position: 2008-2009 Health and Wholeness Advocacy Intern

Position Description:

Term: 11 months, September 15, 2008 - August 14, 2009 (full-time)
Stipend: \$25,000 paid semi-monthly (no other benefits)
Location: UCC National Offices, Cleveland, OH

Job Description

The successful candidate will work with the Health and Wholeness Advocacy Executive on various projects and programs of the Health and Wholeness Advocacy office.

Tasks may include:

- Planning, preparation and implementation of HWA programs and activities
- Development of HWA content for the UCC web site
- Management of the HWA database
- Development of HWA program related projects identified by the intern and approved by the Executive
- Others duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Seminarian or minimum 2 years college education
- High level of interest in working on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) concerns and HIV and AIDS ministries
- Strong verbal and writing skills (communication skills)
- Computer proficiency (Microsoft office)
- Ability to multi-task and to work independently
- Commitment to the mission of the UCC, WCM and the HWA Office

Benefits to the Intern:

This internship is an excellent opportunity to work closely with a national and global ministry program of the United Church of Christ. The Intern will work with and relate to a diversity of people including: local church pastors, lay leaders, individuals, conference ministers, ecumenical partners and Global Ministries' mission personnel and partners. The Intern will also have opportunities to meet with national UCC staff to learn about their ministries. The Intern will be afforded the opportunity to hone his/her leadership skills, learning how to effectively develop resources, advocate on issues and concerns, and respond to the variety of HWA related inquiries and requests. This is a wonderful opportunity for the intern to do ministry within and beyond the United Church of Christ and to interface with people who, like the intern, seek to make a difference in the church, community and world.

About the Office for Health and Wholeness Advocacy

The HWA Office provides leadership for LGBT concerns, HIV and AIDS, and global health. Working with individuals, congregations and other settings of the church, and a variety of faith-based and secular organizations, the HWA office resources Open and Affirming programs, provides technical assistance for faith-based HIV and AIDS prevention programs, offers pastoral outreach support to individuals, their families and friends; coordinates advocacy on HWA related concerns; facilitates educational workshops and conferences; and develops resources in a variety of media.

Application Deadline: Monday, April 14, 2008.

To apply, please email, fax or mail:

- Your resume and/or UCC profile
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Your response to the following questions. This document should be no more than 2 pages in length.
 1. Why are you interested in this internship?
 2. What do you hope to gain from the internship experience?
 3. What do you believe you will contribute to the internship?

Send to Rev. Mike Schuenemeyer:

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