Position Description

The CNSLC is a residential learning community for undergraduate students with majors in the College of Natural Sciences (Applied Computing Technology, Biochemistry, Biological Science, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Neuroscience, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, and Zoology). All residents in the CNSLC live together in either Alpine or Pinon Halls.

The CNSLC PALs will play an important role in the academic and developmental success for the CNSLC first-year residents. The transition from high school to college is challenging for many first-year students, and the added stress of the rigorous coursework encountered in STEM majors can make the transition seem even more difficult. The CNSLC PALs will create safe and collaborative environments for the first-year students by planning academically enriching programs and projects and cultivating a supportive space in the halls.

All CNSLC PALs will report directly to the Coordinator of the CNS Learning Community. They will also collaborate with CNSLC Resident Assistants and Inclusive Community Assistant, Laurel Village Hall Council, and other entities on and off-campus.

The PAL role is new, and still being refined. Thus, it is crucial for successful candidates to be flexible and able to adapt to changing expectations. It is also important to note that this is NOT a tutoring position. If you are interested in tutoring, you can apply to be a tutor through TILT.

Required Qualifications

- Currently enrolled, full-time student at Colorado State University in good standing, with a minimum of 28 credits completed at CSU.
- Have a declared first or second major of: Applied Computing Technology, Biochemistry, Biological Science, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Neuroscience, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, or Zoology.
- Be a member of the CNSLC (for information on applying to be a member of the CNSLC, visit: www.natsci.colostate.edu/cnslc).
- Have a great work ethic and interest in learning and growing.
- Be able to show sensitivity to individual concerns, contexts, and differences, and refrain from engaging in any incidents of prejudice related to gender, race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, religion, age, ability, or appearance.
- Be flexible! This role is still being defined and so the successful candidate will be able to adapt to changing expectations.
- Willing to work 6-10 hours per week and commitment to the entire school year. Hours can be flexibly arranged, however will need to be regularly attended.

Preferred Qualifications

- Have received an A or a B in one or more of the following classes at CSU: LIFE 102, LIFE 103, CHEM 111, CHEM 112, PACe, MATH 155, MATH 160, PHYSICS 121, PHYSICS 122
- Have a cumulative GPA of over 2.5
- Have experience in a mentoring role and be comfortable meeting one-on-one with students
- Have experience with graphic design, computer programming, social media, website design, videography/photography, or other marketing skills (or interest in developing this skill)
- Experience with public speaking (or interest in developing this skill)
Job/Application Details

Position is part-time work-study beginning August 15, 2016 with the possibility of starting February 2016. Training provided. Pay Rate: $10.00 hour. Candidates will be required to submit merit work-study applications, which will not affect a student’s financial aid or scholarship awards. We will assist new hires with the process.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, but preference will be given to students with complete applications submitted before February 15. Email a cover letter addressing qualifications and interest in the position, and a resume including: GPA, work experience history, and contact information of three professional or volunteer references (name, address, phone and e-mail address) to Allie Keller at a.keller@colostate.edu.