Partners for Change Fellowship

Program Description
The Office of Student Success’ Partners for Change Fellowship is a one-year community-based research fellowship designed to harness the energy of CCNY students and the resources of the university in new and innovative ways. Fellows are selected to participate in one of the three focus areas: college access and success, health justice, and human rights (human trafficking).

Fellows commit to 150 hours of service in the fall semester for 13 consecutive weeks (September to December) at a community-based organization and work as a team on a yearlong research project organized by a Leader-in-Residence.

The Office of Student Success provides fellows with financial support (a $5,000 scholarship), a three-credit weekly seminar, and professional development support throughout the year.

Leaders-in-Residence
The role of the Leader-in-Residence in the Partners for Change Fellowship is to provide rich learning opportunities for students to develop foundational knowledge in their focus area and design an engaging applied-research project for the students to implement.

2015 - 2016 Leaders-in-Residence
• College Access and Success - Allison Palmer, Founder and Director, New Settlement Apartments College Access Center
• Health Justice - Shena Elrington, Director of Immigration Rights, Racial Justice and Health Care Access, Center for Popular Democracy
• Human Rights – Alison Boak, Co-Founder and Executive Director, International Organization for Adolescents

Internship Partners
Let’s Get Ready, Young Invincibles, Save the Children, CUNY Institute for Health Equity, The Sylvia Center, RESTORE, Bronx Health Reach, Council Member Juamme Williams’ Office, New York Academy of Medicine, Health Leads USA, LIFT-The Bronx, Union, New Settlement Apartments’ College Access Center

Fellow Internship Projects
• Served as teaching assistants in college readiness programs and planned professional development workshops.
• Created and implemented social media strategies for a human rights advocacy organization.
• Drafted health policy briefs on elderly care and healthy food options in NYC.
• Developed communications and membership building campaign for an advocacy-based organization.

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