

# THE DREAMERS RESOURCE CENTER AMBASSADORS' ASSISTANTSHIP PROGRAM 2023 – 2024 Application Packet

### Send completed application to:

The DREAMers Center
Rock Creek Campus, Bldg 2, Room 101
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Portland, OR 97229

to:

## Or Email all documents <u>luz.villarroel15@pcc.edu</u>

The DREAMers Resource Center provides a safe/brave and welcoming environment to Undocumented/DACAmented students. We support, retain, and empower diverse students to achieve academic excellence and become brave leaders who challenge and dismantle systems of oppression within Portland Community College and their communities.

#### What is the Assistantship' Program?

DREAMer's Ambassadors (DAs) guides and support students with and assistantship with the focus on student services administration and student development. Student also have opportunities to collaborate with others areas of student services.

Ambassadors also can from different cultural backgrounds who participate in organizing events and activities which address issues of Deferents, Power and Discrimination.

#### What do Dream Ambassadors do?

Through a combination of workshops, retreats, and volunteer opportunities DAs will gain new leadership skills to make a difference on campus and in the community, by advocating for students regardless their immigration status, DACAmented, or other statuses that are in limbo. They will also be challenged to develop a greater understanding of social (in)justice issues and learn strategies to address social inequalities for marginalized students pursuing higher education.

#### Why become an Dream Center Ambassador?

The program offers an excellent opportunity to improve your leadership skills, help plan and set up multicultural programs and activities, participate in recruitment and retention activities, and become better connected with the college community. DAs network with college administrators, faculty, students, and staff. Besides meeting new people, making long-lasting friendships, and working with a team of highly motivated and responsible students, Dream Ambassadors develop skills that address issues of social (in)justice and work to address issues that are important to their communities.

PCC and the Dream Center is an Affirmative Action, Equal Employment Opportunity institution. Applicants with disabilities may request accommodation to complete the application and selection process.

#### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- •Must take a minimum of 6 credit hours per term at the Rock Creek Campus during Fall-Spring 2023-2024
- •Must understand the basic awareness of student regardless their inmigration statues or DACAmented population or any other status that may be in limbo.
- •Must have and maintain a cumulative 2.50 GPA or higher.
- •Ability to work collaboratively with the public, diverse groups and in a variety of settings .
- •Can work independently and take initiative on projects.

#### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- •Experience of working with the public and/or in the community college setting
- •Excellent oral, written, and listening skills
- •Strong organizational, computer skills and multicultural and multilingual.

#### Commitments & Benefits

- Required Training Dates\*
- Minimum of 10 hours per week
- Individualized academic advising and support
- •Improve leadership and advocacy skills
- Work-Study positions are available until filled
- •Mandatory trainings, staff meetings, etc.
- The Dream Center Retreat (August, 2024)
- RC In Service (August, 2018)
- Program Student Development and Student Services
- (September, 2024)
- Even planning through our academic year (August, 2024)
- DREAMers Profesional Development every other week

#### POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

These descriptions are not all encompassing

#### **Programming Coordinator (2 position)**

Coordinates and plans DC-sponsored programming (at least 1 event series per term)

Fosters community and advocacy building at Rock Creek

Social justice and equity focused programming

Collaboration on scholarship & academic success workshops

Manages DA Programming budget with Assistant Coordinator, and team

Helps other team members with projects, as needed.

Leads projects and activities related to student lobby efforts,

Helping with Get Out The Vote (GOTV) and PCC Day at the Capitol, advocates for

legislation for permanent residency and Other immigration issues.

Developing Know your rights, legislative process, and student activism workshops

Addresses & advocates for the needs of DREAMers & Develops and coordinates social

(in)justice and cross-cultural awareness workshops and trainings

Participate in other student development programs like "Know Your Rights"

Helps other team members with projects, as needed

Co-facilitates weekly DA staff meetings (alternating between lead and note-taker)

#### **Community Engagement Liaison (2 position)**

Designs and coordinates marketing materials for DC Events & Programs

Guides and supports DC Ambassadors to complete the following:

Coordinate class-raps to distribute information about DC programming and initiatives,

Maintain informational boards around campus with updated DC information. Update DC

Thrive Calendar and social media accounts with information about events and programs.

Co-Lead with coordinate The DREAMers fundraisers

Collaborate other team members with projects, as needed.

Participates in Alternative Spring/Winter Break.

Represents DC to larger PCC Community and other communities.

Attends weekly ASPCC meetings to represent DC and reports updates to DC

Serves on Rock Creek Diversity Council & Serves on other campus an/or college-wide

committees (advocate for underrepresented students at RC)

Co-facilitates weekly DA staff meetings (alternating between lead and note-taker)

Serves as liaison with Rock Creek Staff and faculty

#### **APPLICATION FORM**

Please read through the following carefully and answer every question. Attach the required additional information (transcript, letters of recommendation, and answers to essay questions) to this packet.

All application materials are due by May 31st, 2024 at 5:00pm.

Interviews will take place soon after. You will be notified by email or telephone of our decision.

Please submit all of the following in a Word or PDF document:

Completed application for DREAMer Ambassadors' Assistantship Program Typed answers to supplemental questions Current resume One letter of reference (from instructor or current/former employer who can speak to your qualifications) Unofficial academic transcript (from PCC or other institution) Only complete packets will be reviewed. NO Exceptions! (ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL) Please note: PART A - Applicant Information **Complete Name:** Street Address: City: State: Zip Code: Cell Phone: PCC Email: **PCC G Number: Date of Birth:** Gender Pronouns (E.g., They, she or he,): you speak Age group (Check Race you identify with: Language(s)

Native Hawaiian/Pacific 1st language (native) 15-19 year old 20-24 year old 25-29 year old 2nd language 30 years or above 3rd language Latinx/Hispanic Islander White Black/African American American Indian/Alaska Bi- or Multi-racial Native Other:\_\_\_\_

**Current Cumulative GPA at PCC:** 

Expected number of credits taken during Fall/Winter/Spring 2024: Educational Goal (Degree/Program):

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Do you expect to be on Work-study or any form of Financial Aid?

Yes

No

(Please circle one)

If yes, for which term & what is the award amount? (You will be asked to provide proof of work-study enrollment

(Please circle one)

# Are you applying to other Student Leadership positions?

Yes No

If yes, which ones?

#### **PART B - Supplemental Questions**

Please TYPE your answers on a separate sheet of paper.

- 1.Describe your reason for applying for the DREAMer Ambassadors' Assistantship Program.
- 2. What makes you a good candidate? Please describe any skills, knowledge or experience you have in working in a team setting.
- 3. Working at The DREAMers Resource Center requires empathy and an understanding of the different issues present in the lives of no immigration status college students and the impact these issues have on their families and the pursuit of higher education.

Describe a few ways in which the following have affected your life as a student:

- a.Racism
- b.Citizenship
- c.White Privilege
- d.No immigration status
- e.Other
- 4.Describe three issues you think are most relevant to the education of diverse students in college today. Please give examples of actions, events or programs you could develop through the DC to promote student learning and success on campus or at PCC.

#### **PART C – Additional Documents**

Please include the following with your application:

- •Include one letter of reference (from instructor or current/former employer who can speak to your qualifications) (optional for freshman students)
- Current Resume (optional for freshman students)