Bonner Leader Program Details (2017-2018)

Program Benefits

- Bonner Service Site serves as your Federal Work-Study placement
- Membership in a nationally recognized program with free attendance at select local and national conferences
- FREE Contemporary Social Problems class (SOC 131) during Spring 2018 for Democracy House members who have completed 125+ hours of service by January 1, 2018!
- Extensive training in leadership, program management, professional skills, and social issues
- Networking opportunities

Requirements

- Eligible for off-campus Work-Study placement awarded through the MCC Office of Financial Aid
- 1-academic year commitment
- Serve approximately 10-20 hours/week with a community partner
- Attend all weekly Bonner meetings
- Passion for community involvement, social justice, and political issues
- Log hours on two different hour tracking systems – (paper and online)

Weekly Service Hours	**Monday-Friday 10-20 hours per week**
Weekly Meetings	**Workshop Mondays 11:00-12:20 (College Hour)**
Orientations and Conferences	**Orientation (August), 9/11 Day of Service (September), Make a Difference Day (October) MLK Service Day (January)**

Service Placements

This year Bonners will be focusing on the issues of - Mentorship, College Access and Hunger. Students will do their weekly service with three community partners:

- Capacity Building, Recruitment and Retention – ***Democracy House Assistant***, Edison, NJ
- Mentoring/College-Access After-School Program (Grades 9-12) - ***EMPOWER***, New Brunswick, NJ
- Soup Kitchen - ***Elijah's Promise***, New Brunswick, NJ and/or ***Better World Café***, Highland Park, NJ

Students can also do additional hours or special projects with community partners such as Junior Achievement NJ, The Middlesex County Center for Empowerment, New Brunswick Community Food Alliance, Community Gardens, Women Aware and a number of nonprofits throughout Middlesex County.

Eligibility/Funding Questions

To apply to the MCC Bonner Program, you must be eligible for Financial Aid and Federal Work Study. Bonner Service stipends are paid through for a Work Study placement. Please visit the Office of Financial Aid (http://www2.middlesexcc.edu/financial-aid.html) for more information or to find out if you qualify for work-study money.

Partners

The program is a partnership with the Bonner Foundation, the Democracy House Center for Community Engagement, and the Office of Career Services/Federal Work Study.