



Vote Everywhere Ambassador Application 2014/2015 A Program of The Andrew Goodman Foundation

Vote Everywhere (VE) is a unique Civic Engagement Initiative rooted in a legacy of civil rights and social justice. Vote Everywhere carries on the work of Andrew Goodman, a sophomore at Queens College, who was murdered along with James Chaney and Michael Schwerner during Freedom Summer 1964 while attempting to register African-Americans to vote. Vote Everywhere empowers a national community of campus leaders to mobilize others to act on issues of importance using their votes, voices and networks.

The Vote Everywhere Ambassadorship

The cornerstone of the Vote Everywhere initiative is the Vote Everywhere Ambassador Program, a yearlong paid internship with The Andrew Goodman Foundation that takes place on the Ambassador's college campus. Ambassadors will learn by participating, connecting and engaging with others, and forming coalitions for change.

Vote Everywhere Ambassadors Will:

- Serve from mid-August 2014 to May, 2015
- Receive a stipend of \$1,000, and an allowance of \$500 to support their work on campus
- Receive leadership training with national leaders and experts in civic engagement
- Gain knowledge about the civil and voter rights movements
- Work with The AGF's national partners to deliver voting resources on campus
- Connect with other campus groups interested in voter engagement, social causes and activism
- Engage others in civic and political participation on their campus
- Learn to communicate more effectively through writing, public speaking, and online tools
- Commit approximately 5 hours a week to the program
- Engage with an e-mentor, who will support their work in the program

Responsibilities of Vote Everywhere Ambassadors

- *Voter Registration and Education:* Ambassadors work with other campus groups and recruit students to coordinate voter registration drives and increase campus voter participation.
- *Social Action and Advocacy:* Ambassadors learn how to identify, research and develop an organizing strategy to take action on an issue or cause that matters to them.
- *Communications and Outreach:* Ambassadors learn how to create messaging, develop and maintain an online and in-person network of fellow advocates, and use social media as a call for action. Each Ambassador will create and run a social action event in the Spring of 2015.

Qualifications

- Sophomore or junior in good academic standing. High level of self-motivation, responsibility, and ability to collaborate with other students, faculty and staff
- Submission of a 1-minute video *or* one page essay demonstrating why you believe you would be a great Ambassador, and what social issue you are passionate about and why. Include a current resume with cover letter and send to:

Monica Ways, Director of Community Engagement and Service waysmp@miamioh.edu
- Deadline April 14, 2014

Questions for further information? info@andrewgoodman.org

Read more about past Vote Everywhere Ambassadors and other programs of The Andrew Goodman

Foundation: <http://www.andrewgoodman.org/vote-everywhere>

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