# Service GROWTH | CONNECTION | LEADERSHIP

Service+ is an AmeriCorps program hosted by the Center for Social Impact at Miami University Regionals. More than just a volunteer opportunity, Miami University students enhance their workforce and leadership skills while having a direct impact in advancing the critical mission of their nonprofit host site. Students serving as AmeriCorps members in Service+, who are known as change agents, receive monthly participant support payments, an educational award, and endless professional development opportunities.

# **BENEFITS**

## What are the student benefits?

AmeriCorps can set you up for a bright future in your career by providing:

- \$4,500 participant support
- \$1,718 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award
- Opportunity to make a social impact
- Hands-on work experience
- Relationships with peers with similar passions
- Leadership skills and professional development
- Valuable networking and AmeriCorps alumni opportunities

# SERVICE

## What type of Service will I be doing?

Because Service+ is dedicated to building the capacity of non-profit organizations members will not hold "typical" volunteer positions working 1-1 with clients or doing manual labor. Positions align more closely with responsibilities held by interns. Members will get the experience of an internship while enhancing the mission of the nonprofit organization host site.

## What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the only federal agency tasked with elevating service and volunteerism in America. AmeriCorps members serve directly with nonprofit organizations to strengthen communities across our nation. Service+ is Miami University's first AmeriCorps program.



REGIONALS



# APPLICATION PROCESS

Obtaining a spot in the Service+ cohort is competitive. The application process to become a Service+ change agent is:

## ♀ APPLICATION

Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis until all slots are filled.

## **¢** SCREENING

Conduct an initial pre-screening interview. Discuss and select host sites with whom to interview.

## ♦ INTERVIEWS

After reviewing applications, host sites will offer and conduct interviews with interested candidates.

# **ACCEPTANCE**

You will have 48 hours to accept or decline the host site's offer via email.

## **ONBOARDING**

Complete a background check and all AmeriCorps requirements.

# ♦ SERVICE

Your start date and schedule for service will be outlined in your offer from the host site.

# TIME COMMITMENT

Change agents are required to complete 450 hours of service. This equates to 11-18 hours a week comprising of:

- 11-16 hours of weekly service at your host site depending on your service commitment
- 15 cohort training sessions focused on professional development and team building
- 2 National Day of Service celebrations

## Can I work another part-time job while participating in Service+?

Yes. You can work another part-time job as long as you commit to prioritizing academics and the schedule you set with your Service+ host site.

# ELIGIBILITY

## Who can be a Service+ change agent?

- A current student at Miami University with at least 12 credit hours by the start of the Fall semester.
- Must complete a minimum of 6 credits for both Fall and Spring semesters.
- U.S. citizen, national, or legal permanent resident alien of the United States.
- At least 18 years of age with no upper age limit.

# Do I have to be a full-time student?

You do not need to be a full-time student. You must be registered for at least 6 credit hours at the beginning of the semester, remain in good academic standing, and complete at least 6 credit hours a semester.

# Can I major in any subject?

Yes! ALL MAJORS are encouraged to apply. Since positions are similar to internships, Service+ host sites are looking for a wide variety of skill sets.

## How do I qualify?

- Meet all eligibility requirements.
- Capacity for a full academic year commitment.
- Reliable transportation and ability to commute to a host site in Butler County.
- Actively participate in cohort training and National Day of Service Celebrations.



