LEADER FELLOW (2 POSITIONS)
FOR BROWN ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP LAB: RHODE ISLAND (BELL: RI)

ABOUT US:
The Brown University Pre-College Summer Program enrolls over 5,000 high school students (15-18 years old) from the United States and other countries to explore academic enrichment and intellectual growth. Students attend courses ranging from one to seven weeks in length, with hundreds of courses to choose from. This is an opportunity to experience college level academics, engage in fun and challenging activities, make decisions in an independent setting, and learn from a diverse group of peers.

The Brown Environmental Leadership Lab: Rhode Island (BELL: RI) takes place 30 min south of the Brown campus at the Haffenreffer Estate in Bristol, RI. BELL: RI consists of three consecutive, two-week sessions where students develop and apply the knowledge, skills and attitudes associated with socially responsible leadership. Most lessons occur outdoors and there is an emphasis on living sustainably. For more information about BELL program, please visit our website at: http://www.brown.edu/ce/pre-college/bell/rhode_island/

GENERAL JOB DESCRIPTION:
The Leader Fellow position offers an opportunity for undergraduate students to live outdoors and gain practical experience in Residence Life and leadership development in a summer pre-college program. BELL Leader Fellows are part of a five-person staff team who supervise a learning community of 32 students in their academic and extra-curricular activities. As a team, the BELL staff encourages student’s personal growth and social responsibility and fosters a welcoming and inclusive community. Because BELL students and staff live together at the Haffenreffer Estate, Leader Fellows have a unique opportunity to bridge and cultivate learning in and outside of a conventional classroom. This position reports to the BELL: RI On-site Director.

One essential component of the leadership programming is helping students develop an Action Plan that addresses a pressing social or environmental issue in their school or community. Students develop these plans at BELL, present their ideas to their peers, and work on the project when they return home.

This position demands excellent organization and communication, strong leadership, attention to detail, follow through with assignments, and the ability to work collaboratively as part of a team. A successful Leader Fellow will also exhibit a positive attitude with energy and enthusiasm, a sense of humor, flexibility, and the interest to work with diverse students and staff from different backgrounds. Ideal candidates will have a commitment to social justice, a passion for environmental issues, and previous engagement with either or both. This is a live-in position that requires staff to display professionalism, emotional maturity, positive role modeling behavior, and good judgement at all times.
PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Participate in Leader Fellow Training and Haffenreffer set up from June 12 -24, 2016.
- Live with staff and students 24/6 on the Haffenreffer Property in Bristol, RI.
- Plan and facilitate activities and programs designed to promote community and curricular goals, including leadership development workshops and daily recreation time.
- Assist students with the development of an Action Plan.
- Provide daily educational support to instructors and co-teaching on occasion.
- Participate in outdoor Challenge Ropes Course training and facilitation for students.
- Participate in daily staff meetings and weekly one-on-one meetings with on-site director.
- Serve as a mentor and resource for students outside class time.
- Monitor the execution and quality of student community tasks (aka, chores).
- Work closely with other staff to ensure residential aspects of program run smoothly (meals, tents, bed checks, general routines).
- Assist with set-up and take-down of facilities at Haffenreffer, including moving boxes, tents, and beds.
- Mediate student conflicts.
- Accompany students to the hospital and/or doctors appointments, if necessary.
- Report unsafe, inappropriate, and concerning behavior.
- Promote a welcoming and inclusive environment.
- Other duties as assigned.
- Work evenings and weekends.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Excellent communication and leadership skills, including comfort with public speaking.
- Comfortable exploring diversity and social justice issues.
- High emotional and physical stamina.
- Passion for environmental studies and sustainability.
- Ability to spend majority of time outdoors with exposure to summer heat and humidity.
- Ability to lift loads of up to 20 lbs and to stand for 2 hours at a time.
- Experience working with pre-college age students, preferred.
- Facilitation and teaching experience, preferred.
- Previous residential experience, preferred.
- Alumni of BELL program, preferred.
- Must be an undergraduate student.
- No other employment, internship, or academic course allowed.
- Finalists receive a conditional offer of employment pending the outcome of a criminal background check.

COMPENSATION:

- $450 per week for 10 weeks. Gross stipend.
- Contract Dates are June 12, 2016 to August 9, 2016.
- Campus-based room and board during training.
- Shared tent with students during program.
- One scheduled day off per week (transportation on day off is not provided)
- Meals-on-site during program