

Project POWER AmeriCorps

The Asheville Museum of Science (AMOS) is seeking engaged and enthusiastic candidates to become AmeriCorp ProjectPower service members and to join us in our mission to provide inspiring STEM programming to students of Western North Carolina.

Location: Asheville Museum of Science (Downtown Asheville)

AMOS Overview

AMOS is the center for expert STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) learning in WNC. We strive to spark imagination and foster lifelong curiosity in the museum and through both in-house and outreach STEM education programs. These include field trips, in-school and after-school programs, intensive science camps, Saturday STEAM education, and involvement in events that serve our community.

At AMOS we believe that our expert designed STEM programming contributes to our youth's interest in STEM, connection to caring adults who serve as role models, reduction of the achievement gap, and preparation for the 21st century work environments.

Job description:

Since 1998, Children First/Communities In Schools has hosted a ProjectPOWER AmeriCorps team. Each year, full and part-time AmeriCorps members help increase the capacity of local nonprofits and school partners by providing a year of service to support the community and more than 1,000 at-risk youth in Buncombe County. They receive health insurance and a living stipend to support them during their year of service.

AMOS ProjectPOWER AmeriCorps members will be directly involved in STEM academic enrichment programming at the museum and/or for outreach to schools and community programs. The member will help support STEM academics by preparing lesson equipment and activities, assisting with teaching and implementing activities, and potentially contributing new curriculum development, as it fits with member interest, skill set, and opportunity.

Qualifications:

- Knowledge of, or interest in, the sciences (some background or coursework in science and/or math is beneficial but is not required)
- Proactive in their curiosity about science and how the world works ("I'll look it up!")
- Interest and/or experience in teaching and working with groups of children
- Interest and willingness for public speaking
- Team-oriented
- Desire to learn from others, try new skills independently, and debrief to learn about how to improve
- Good communication skills, both verbal and written
- Comfort with technology and willingness to learn new systems

If interested in applying, please visit <https://childrenfirstcisbc.org/projectpoweramericorps/>

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