



API EQUALITY-LA
Asians and Pacific Islanders for LGBTQ Equality

APPLY FOR API EQUALITY-LA'S COMMUNITY ORGANIZING INTERNSHIP!



Do you care deeply about LGBTQ API immigrants and just immigration policies? Want to take action in response to the current political climate? Learn how to with and within your communities to create positive change? **Here's your chance.**

API Equality-LA's Community Organizing Internship will train Asian and Pacific Islander (API) young people to do community organizing and political power-building work with(in) the API community for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) equality. As an organization, API Equality-LA recognizes that our community is under attack in the current political climate, and that this moment in history is our opportunity to educate and mobilize LGBTQ and API people to advance just and equitable immigration policies. Focusing on cultural and policy change through on-the-ground and in-the-community work, this 10-week internship begins Monday, June 19, 2017 and ends Friday, August 25, 2017.

Apply today at <http://tinyurl.com/2017apiequalityla>!



Community Organizing Internship Description

About this Internship

API Equality-LA is a Los Angeles based civil rights organization that organizes in the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) community for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) equality. API Equality-LA's Community Organizing Internship:

- Is open to any individual who is passionate about educating and organizing the API community
- Lasts 10 weeks from **Monday, June 19, 2017 to Friday, August 25, 2017**
- Requires a commitment of at least 15 hours/week, with weekly intern cohort meetings
- Will be based at API Equality-LA's office in Downtown Los Angeles (1137 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90017)
- Awards a \$500 scholarship

Responsibilities*

- Attend trainings including, but not limited to: grassroots organizing, grassroots fundraising, outreach and recruitment, Trans Allyship Teach-In, LGBTQ and API messaging
- Lead outreach to the API community at direct actions, cultural festivals and parades to increase support for LGBTQ equality, especially regarding just immigration policies
- Speak to and build coalitions with other communities, including organizational partners, other communities of color, student groups, and other youth
- Develop and plan events to raise funds for the organization
- Participate in weekly meetings with staff and other interns
- Assist staff with day-to-day operations, including administrative and programmatic coalition functions

****Please note that these responsibilities may change.***

Requirements

- Commitment to a broad, diverse, and inclusive social justice movement
- Willingness to be challenged intellectually and practically as a leader
- Demonstrated interest in policy and cultural change work
- Strong organizational skills, including ability to plan and lead events
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Ability to work independently as well as collaboratively with coalitions/allies

Preferences

- Knowledge of and experience in API and LGBTQ history, community, and culture
- Demonstrated leadership experience
- Knowledge of or contacts in API and LGBTQ on-campus organizations as well as API and LGBTQ off-campus youth organizations

To Apply

Application is due by **5 p.m., Monday, May 15, 2017**. Applications require a resume, writing sample, and cover letter that explains your interest in community organizing in the API LGBTQ community. For any questions, please contact Tanya Edmilao at tanya@apiequalityla.org. Interviews will be scheduled the week following the deadline. **Apply at <http://tinyurl.com/2017apiequalityla>**