**Service Learning (SL) Opportunities- Fall 2020**

**Through the Language and Culture Resource Center**

**Oportunidades para Servicio para el Aprendizaje-Fall 2020**

**Mediante el Centro de Recursos del Idioma y la Cultura**

We are happy that you get to work with us at the Language and Culture Resource Center (LCRC) for your Service Learning requirements. Our mission is to be cultural ambassadors building bridges between cultures, removing language barriers and easing the transition for those who come to the United States to better their lives, helping them achieve their goals and realize their dreams.

Please observe the following guidelines in order to fulfill all the requirements and forms deadlines, so you can receive full credit for your time spent performing Service Learning. All these documents must be scanned and emailed to [lcrc@etsu.edu](mailto:lcrc@etsu.edu).

**Service Learning Application** forms:

Page 1: **Application and Release Agreement**- If you did not turn it in on the class visit, please give it to your professor or drop it off at the LCRC Office, Room 219 in the Campus Center Building. This form is **due by October 15, 2020.**

Page 2: **Placement Agreement**-You need to fill out this form during your **first meeting** with your Site Supervisor. This is the teacher/coordinator with whom you will be working at the agency. **IMPORTANT:** For all SL sites, you must fill out the Placement Agreement with the back page signed by you and your supervisor, (If working at a LCRC sponsored program, such as the language table, then you don’t need to request Dr. Fiuza’s signature. He will sign it once he receives everything back from you), and return it to the **SL coordinator** at the LCRC before you start working your hours, **no later than November 2, 2020**. DO NOT LEAVE THIS FOR THE LAST WEEK OF THE SEMESTER TO SUBMIT THIS FORM.

Page 3: **Hours Log**- Register on this form each time you work. Have your supervisor initial this form every time to verify your completion of hours. **This must be** **submitted by December 2, 2020 before 4pm.**

Page 4: **Final Evaluation**- Your site supervisor should complete this form as you near the end of your assignment. This is **due December 2, 2020 before 4pm**. DO NOT LEAVE THIS ASSIGNMENT FOR THE LAST WEEK OF THE SEMESTER.

**If you find another location or event that you feel is similar to the others and you wish to volunteer there, please let Dr. Fiuza know and he will check if it is appropriate to count towards your Service Learning hours.** The absolute and final day that any paperwork may be submitted is **December 2, 2020 before 4pm**. Make a copy of your hour log for your professor before you drop it off.

We keep a record of these forms and we use them to show the President the level of support we are providing in the community as a university.

**Programs available this semester:**

For more information about these Service Learning Options, please contact Dr. Fiuza at [lcrc@etsu.edu](mailto:lcrc@etsu.edu).

Remember, when you email an agency coordinator, please copy [lcrc@etsu.edu](mailto:lcrc@etsu.edu) so we know you are getting ready to start. Thanks!

1# Fellowship Church Knoxville. This option is interesting and I don’t know how many spots we could get, but I think it is worth reaching out and checking. Students would tutor younger grades on the subject of their choice, which might make them feel comfortable.

2# Lisa Edmondson, lisaedmknson@carterk12.net, has contacted me about providing interpreting for Spanish Speaking families at Carter Schools. These would be offered either by Zoom or phone, and scheduled on a need basis. Their next appointment is on September 23 at 2pm, and they only need one interpreter.

3# Online Language conversation tables. We have a program that meets every Thursday helping college students to learn English in both Brazil and Colombia. We could give our students the opportunity to tutor these students for free, and then practice Spanish, or Portuguese, with them. We will also start to offer a language table in Kiswahili. Email John Mullins at [mullinsjd2@etsu.edu](mailto:mullinsjd2@etsu.edu) in order to be included in the mail list and receive the link and password for each month.

4# Translations for the LCRC. We always have translations requests. Students could be assigned some of these translations and back translate from each other for precision. Most of these are documents, and unless we get a big project, like a RPG book that we will get soon from a German publisher to translate from English to Spanish, I cannot guarantee more than one or two spots.

5# English Conversation Partner Program. I would like to expand the English Conversation Partner Program, and offer ETSU international students one-on-one opportunities to practice their English and even get help with homework and assignments. It’s not a guarantee that I would be able to partner our service learning students with Spanish speakers, but they would definitely have the experience of talking with someone who speaks a foreign language.

6# Family Justice Center. I am providing free interpreting for this center. The vocabulary is legal, not medical. It is more challenging to me, but it might be easier for students who understand the American legal system. Calls are sporadic, but very long, like 2 hours. And the topics of conversation are very delicate. I can accommodate about 2 students here as well.

REMEMBER: No matter what program you choose to do, please email [lcrc@etsu.edu](mailto:lcrc@etsu.edu) in all of your emails with the program of your choice.

**Please ask your site to see if they require you to have a background check. If so, contact Felipe Fiuza at** [**lcrc@etsu.edu**](mailto:lcrc@etsu.edu) **for more information.**