

Position: Sojourner Advocate
Wang Center for International Programs
Application Deadline: Friday, April 4th 2008



Position Description:

A Sojourner Advocate is a unique student leadership position designed specifically to work with the Wang Center for International Programs. The primary responsibility of a Sojourner Advocate is to assist and provide support for prospective, active, and former study away students. A Sojourner Advocate is a key source of information about specific campus offices, departments or faculty members that could be helpful to study abroad candidates. A Sojourner Advocate is also a source of information about PLU approved or developed programs and opportunities. Thirdly, a Sojourner Advocate is a coordinator and source of information for events with global-awareness and international program themes.

This is a part time, stipend position of approximately 10 hours a week for one academic year (2008-2009). The stipend for this position is \$1,400 per semester (paid in installments of \$350 a month). Sojourner Advocates are required to attend the SIL Leadership Training during the last week of August prior to beginning the position.

Position Responsibilities:

- Design, coordinate and implement regular programs (e.g. coffee and cross-cultural discussion, returnee parties, etc.) specific to the needs of prospective study away students or for students interested in a future study away program
- Facilitate study away interest and orientation sessions
- Act as a liaison between the Wang Center and the Student Body and cross-campus groups (e.g. Hong International Hall).
- Act as a general source of information about study away programs and application processes, global-awareness events, and on-campus study away resources
- Assist in promotion of Wang Center events and Global Education Initiatives on campus
- Work closely with fellow Sojourner Advocates
- Create and implement projects for active study away students (e.g. send mailings to students who are abroad)
- Carry out miscellaneous Wang Center projects as requested by Supervisor

Position Requirements:

The Sojourner Advocate position requires excellent verbal and written communication skills, time management and organizational skills, creativity, cross-cultural awareness and sensitivity, experience studying abroad, experience working with US undergraduate students, faculty and administration, experience planning and implementing student events and programming, and the ability to work with minimal supervision. Students must have some public speaking or presentation skills. Additionally, this position requires a valid driver's license, ability to be a team player attitude, and commitment to do some evening and weekend work.

To Apply:

E-mail a resumé and cover letter to sojourn@plu.edu and send two letters of recommendation (one faculty & one personal) to the Wang Center, Attn: Sojourner Advocates