Service-Learning/ Volunteer Projects

Begin to see your education as much more than a collection of courses and credits and participate in service-learning to apply real world experience to the policies and issues that interest you. Below are examples of possible projects related to a specific major or department; however, opportunities with the Coalition and local literacy providers are not limited to these choices. Contact the Coalition for more information about our service-learning partners and more opportunities.

**Literacy Instruction**
- Work one-on-one or in a small group setting to tutor adult literacy students and help them reach their educational goals (details vary by provider location).

**Marketing**
- Help us advocate for the issue of adult literacy, recruit volunteers, and reach students by assisting with the creation of new advertising for our services.

**Spanish**
- Aid in our efforts to serve the 240,000 low literate adults in Tarrant County by translating materials from English to Spanish so we can reach potential ESL students.

**Communication**
- Write press releases for major events and fundraisers that the Tarrant Literacy Coalition is hosting and/or participating in to help us generate interest.

**Sociology**
- Devise a fresh data tracking tool that might better gauge how the variables affecting student progress or the effectiveness of a program interact.

**Cultural/ Gender Studies**
- Research the effects of education on women and children, or craft a project on the effectiveness of culturally-aware education for us to utilize when addressing program needs.

**Photography/ Videography**
- Bring your camera to our Corporate Spelling Bee fundraiser or a Provider Brunch, and take photographs or create a Public Service Announcement to be used on our website and/or in printed marketing materials.

**Website Development**
- Help a nonprofit in the community reach more students and generate additional support by updating their web page or Facebook page.

**Business**
- Create a business model that an adult literacy program could implement to get off the ground or that an up-and-coming nonprofit might duplicate to become successful.

**Biology**
- Work with a local literacy program to incorporate health literacy materials into their adult basic education, ESL, or GED class.

**Criminal Justice**
- Collect research and make a fact sheet on correctional education and levels of low literacy, for us to use when we reach out to community members for support of adult literacy programs.

**Design Your Own**
- Work with our Program Resource Coordinator to create a one-of-a-kind project that meets both the academic and service components, while tapping into an area of interest and benefiting a local nonprofit in the process!

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