

2022-2023 ECLIPSE AmeriCorps Member Position Description



About ECLIPSE

Early Childhood Literacy Intervention Program, Services, and Evaluation – **ECLIPSE**- is an early intervention program that works with preschool aged children between three and five years of age to help prepare the children to enter school ready to learn. We do this by pairing college students with children to provide one on one interactions and support in their learning.

About the Position

ECLIPSE AmeriCorps members have the unique opportunity to inspire young children to learn, serve in a local community, work on a team, and build professional skills. All Corps members receive professional-caliber training to help them implement ECLIPSE's outcome-based program, promote children's school success, and build family involvement.

ECLIPSE AmeriCorps member positions are 300 hours commitments

ECLIPSE School Year

ECLIPSE AmeriCorps members complete 300 hours of service during the school year (September-May). This commitment represents the investment that ECLIPSE believes will make a substantial impact in the life of a young child. During the ECLIPSE term of service (the academic school year), AmeriCorps members participate in the following activities:

- Serve part-time, 10-12 hours per week, during the school year, including:
 - 9-10 hours per week working with one –two children in the preschool classroom during the regular school day, focusing on language, literacy, social and/or numeracy skills. Providing support to classroom teachers.
 - 1-2 hours per week, team planning meetings, which include planning, reflection, and/or training
 - Option of serving up to 2-3 hours per week at a local non-profit organization serving children and families with prior approval from the Program Director or Volunteer Coordinator.
- Communicate with team, center staff, and partner child's family and share strategies for helping the child
- Participate in intensive pre-service and on-going trainings
- Attend periodic service days, often held on weekends
- *Additional activities in support of ECLIPSE's organizational priorities, on an as-needed basis*

Qualifications and Experience

Dedication to early childhood education

- Experience working with young children, and/or a desire to learn more about early childhood education
- Criminal background check completion
- Strong language and communication skills
- Ability to build relationships with children
- Willingness to learn about session implementation and planning

Commitment to service

- Community service experience
- Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds
- Ability to fulfill a yearlong community service commitment
- Enthusiastic and positive attitude toward helping others

Professionalism

- Ability to work well on a team and collaborate with others
- Availability, dependability, and willingness to be flexible
- Maturity and good judgment in relating to ECLIPSE peers, partners, and families

Compensation and Benefits

- Potential to earn Work-Study during term of service
- AmeriCorps Segal Education Award upon completion of term of service, 2022-23 (\$1,374.60)
- Extensive training in the field of early childhood education: child development, assessment, analysis, and activity creation and implementation
- Completion of Service-Learning hour requirements
- Completion of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Tier 1 training
- Unique opportunity to join a national network of individuals serving young children
- Invaluable opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young children

[UWEC ECLIPSE Web Site](#): for more information and to complete an initial application