Weitz Fellowship: Planned Parenthood of the Heartland

Position Description:
Planned Parenthood of the Heartland (PPHeartland) administrative office and health center located in Omaha, Nebraska, seeks applications from 2015 graduates of Carleton College for a one-year visiting fellowship program beginning in the summer or fall of 2015. This program is designed to offer recent graduates the opportunity to explore a career path in advocacy, healthcare, and reproductive and sexuality education. The Fellow will work directly with the Regional Development Director and in collaboration with the education staff, advocacy and organizing staff, health services and other agency personnel and collaborators in efforts to promote the mission of Planned Parenthood of the Heartland.

The selected candidate will work closely with Planned Parenthood of the Heartland staff to learn about and gain exposure to the process of creating, fostering and maintaining meaningful relationships across the Planned Parenthood of the Heartland affiliates and in the community. The Fellow will have the opportunity to manage projects independently and in collaboration with others, from inception to implementation, assessment and conclusion. The Fellow will also receive cross training in various departments of Planned Parenthood of the Heartland, including: Development, Advocacy and Organizing, Education, and Health Services.

The annual stipend for the fellowship will be $26,000 and an additional amount up to $1,500 is available for expense reimbursement to take advantage of related professional development opportunities. Benefits available.

Overview:
The Mission of Planned Parenthood of the Heartland is to be a leader in providing accessible reproductive health care, education and advocacy; responsive to the needs and rights of families and individuals.

PPHeartland is unique in that it covers three important areas of service to the most vulnerable of our communities – those in low-economic circumstances seeking reproductive health care at our health center in Omaha; education programs to schools and community groups in Omaha, providing the knowledge and tools to prevent teen pregnancy, sexually-transmitted infections (STIs) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV); and legislative advocacy and support to ensure reproductive rights and access to these important services continues. Unlike any other organization in Omaha, PPHeartland utilizes multiple avenues (health care, prevention education and advocacy) to maximize its social impact as a change agent by ensuring access to reproductive health care, empowering our constituents and improving standards of care. Our multiple service approach empowers and equips the most vulnerable of Omaha’s populations to avoid the catastrophic financial and social barriers created by teen or unintended pregnancy, enabling them to complete their education; achieve their career potential; and sustain economic self-sufficiency.

Qualifications:
This fellowship is open to graduating seniors from Carleton College. The successful candidate will be highly motivated, and have exceptional interpersonal, communication and relationship building skills. Able to earn the confidence of a wide range of internal and external constituents and a demonstrated interest in learning more about advocacy, healthcare education and the non-profit community.

Application procedures:
Interested candidates should submit a letter describing their interest in healthcare advocacy and education along with a resume and the names of three references. Cover letters should be addressed to: “Dear Weitz Program Coordinator.” Applications are due by February 13, 2015. Apply via the Carleton Career Center’s job site, The Tunnel. Applications not submitted via The Tunnel will not be considered. Interviews will occur the week of March 1, 2015 and a final decision will be made by March 16, 2015.