



**Baton Rouge Youth Coalition**  
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## Writing Coach

*The Baton Rouge Youth Coalition (BRYC) seeks graduate students and/or professionals to serve as Writing Coaches who can provide copyediting, content, and style support for Fellows working on their writing skills and crafting essays for the college and scholarship application process.*

### BRYC Overview

The Baton Rouge Youth Coalition (BRYC) prepares high-achieving, under-resourced high school students – called “Fellows” – to enter, excel in, and graduate from college so they can become full participants in society.

### Writing Center / Writing Coach Overview

The Writing Center pairs Fellows with Writing Coaches for one-on-one or small-group support on college and scholarship essay writing. As skilled, experienced writers, volunteer Writing Coaches are one of the key resources our Writing Center will offer Fellows.

### BRYC’s Support of Writing Coaches

The Director of Writing will oversee BRYC’s Writing Center and lead ongoing coordination and support of Writing Coaches.

### Program Structure

Writing Coaches can support Fellows in two ways (either/or):

- Through hour-long, one-on-one coaching sessions, which Fellows sign up for in advance through an online appointment system. These one-on-one sessions can occur either in-person or remotely (via Google Docs and/or video conferencing). We ask Writing Coaches in this track to commit to 1-2 real-time coaching sessions per week.
- Through in-program support during Senior College Workshops (Fall) and Junior Writing Workshops (Spring). Coaches be available to “float” between small groups of Fellows as they brainstorm, draft, and refine essays for college and scholarship applications. In the Fall semester, there are eight 1.5-hour long sessions available every week; in Spring four 1.5-hour long sessions will be held. We ask Writing Coaches in this track to commit to 1 in-program support session per week.

Introductory Meeting: Writing Coaches will be asked to attend one introductory meeting led by the Director of Writing. The meeting is an orientation to BRYC’s Writing Center and the supports it offers Fellows. Additionally, the Director of Writing will share expectations of Writing Coaches and resources for providing Fellows with feedback.

### Expectations of Writing Coaches

- Develop strong rapport and trust with Fellows to earn their confidence in the writing process.
- Fulfill the weekly time commitment as outlined above.
- Communicate reliably with the Director of Writing.

### Qualifications

- Exceptionally strong written communication skills
- Experience, formally or informally, teaching or tutoring in writing
- Experience working effectively with youth, preferably in an educational setting
- Ability to explain foundational grammatical and rhetorical concepts

**To Apply:** Email a letter of interest and an expository, critical, &/or creative writing sample to Michelle Myers, Director of Writing (michelle@thebryc.org).