



Baton Rouge Youth Coalition

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Writing Coach

The Baton Rouge Youth Coalition (BRYC) seeks intelligent, empathetic, and deeply committed college 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

Founded in 2009, BRYC is an after-school program that 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 writers, volunteer Writing Coaches are one of the key resources our Writing Center will offer Fellows. Coaching hours are Monday through Thursday between the hours of 4-8 pm.

BRYC’s Support of Writing Coaches

BRYC designates a full-time staff member to oversee the coaching program and provide support: the Director of Writing. Tutors will receive updates about Fellows who request tutoring through the appointment system. Additional support for scheduling volunteer hours will come from the Director of Writing. BRYC provides reference materials on-site.

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. 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 will be available to “float” between small groups of Fellows as they brainstorm, draft, and refine essays for college and scholarship applications. We ask Writing Coaches in this track to commit to one in-program support session per week.

Baseline Expectations

- Desire to educate and help Fellows achieve mastery of their material
- Communicate with Writing Manager if any problems arise
- Commit to showing up at BRYC for at least one hour every week at a consistent day/time

Qualifications

- Experience working effectively with youth
- High levels of empathy and patience
- Ability to explain writing and rhetorical concepts
- Punctuality and dependability
- Nice-to-have: Prior educational experience (teacher, tutor)

To Apply: Submit your availability online at www.thebryc.org/volunteer. BRYC will follow up with you to work on securing a background check and initiate the training process.