

Community Education Researcher (Part-Time)

Description:

The Institute for Learning Innovation (ILI) is collaborating with the Virginia Air & Space Science Center and Hampton Roads area school districts in learning how to support youth STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) learning in and out of the classroom.

We are looking for an organized and dynamic person to join our team as a local education researcher and collect data to examine the impact of STEM programming on students. Data collection will involve interviewing 5th and 6th graders and observing classroom activities in school and on field trips in the Hampton Roads area.

The applicant selected will work in a contract position, part-time for up to 1.5 years. The number of hours per week will vary depending on the varying needs of the project. Work will take place during school hours.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Conduct in-person interviews with youth using an existing interview guide
- Conduct class observations in a local elementary school and on school field trips
- Travel to a local school and school field trip sites
- Participate in research training
- · Communicate regularly with team members via email
- Send collected data to the Senior Researcher
- Participate in virtual (Zoom) team meetings on a regular basis

Qualifications:

Required

- A Bachelor's Degree, or equivalent knowledge and experience
- Available during school hours
- Has access to a computer
- Has access to the internet
- Enjoys frequent collaboration but can work well independently
- Has a keen attention to detail
- Able to organize one's own time and problem solve
- Ability to clearly communicate and ask questions for clarification when needed.
- Ability to work flexible hours and days as necessary
- Has own transportation

Preferred

- Interested in psychology or education research.
- Experience interviewing is a plus
- Is comfortable interacting with 5th and 6th graders from various ethnic and demographic backgrounds
- Is comfortable working with Microsoft Office tools (Word, Excel, Outlook)
- Is comfortable working with Google apps (Google docs, Google sheets)

About Us:

The Institute for Learning Innovation (ILI) is a virtual, independent, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization which is passionate about learning and works at the intersection of research, practice, and policy. With a more than 30-year history we are committed – now more than ever – to disrupting the narrow way in which society thinks about learning. ILI works hard to find new and more effective ways to support a variety of educational leaders and institutions in providing learning opportunities for all. Learn more about ILI here: www.instituteforlearninginnovation.org.

Education/Experience:

A Bachelor's Degree, or equivalent knowledge and experience

Job Type:

Part-time, some local travel.

Compensation:

\$20/hour

Physical Demands:

This position does not require physical demands beyond the usual office work and travel requirements.

Equity:

The Institute for Learning Innovation is an equal opportunity employer who is fully committed to what we call an "IDEAL" framework, one that supports Inclusion, **D**iversity, **E**quity, **A**ccess, and **L**earning for all. Please let us know should you have a disability that requires accommodation in order for you to participate in the application process, we are happy to work with you to facilitate your participation.

To Apply:

For consideration, along with your resume, please include a one-page cover letter describing the ways in which you are qualified for this position and why you would want to work with the Institute for Learning Innovation and send to:

To: debbie.siegel@freechoicelearning.org

Subject: Community Education Researcher

Prior to hire, two recent professional references will be required