LIT MKE Campus Leadership Project Fellowship

Formed as an independent nonprofit in Fall of 2017, Leaders Igniting Transformation (LIT) is a youth of color led organization. LIT engages in values-based issue and electoral organizing, direct action, advocacy for public policy, and leadership development. On campuses and communities in Milwaukee’s key geographies, we organize young people to build independent political power for social, racial and economic justice.

We are organizing a political and cultural bloc of young people to define the future of our communities through public policy and cultural change. We believe progressive grassroots political power is most effectively built with a two pronged strategy – growing resilience and excellence of youth of color, and engaging youth in a full spectrum of year-round civic engagement.

Rather than focusing solely on issues or elections, we are building an organization with a continuously expanding base of young people through both issue-organizing and civic engagement. Our complete engagement accelerates leadership development, growth in organizational capacity, public narrative development and political education, and has allowed us to win several victories in a short period of time.

**Duties and Responsibilities**

Campus Leadership Fellows will organize on and around their campuses, and gain skills and experience to build a strong foundation in organizing, including:

- Hands-on organizing and campaign skills
- Real work experience working on campaigns
- Build relationships with campus influencers + partners in the progressive movement
- Learn how to build campaign plans using organizing skills to impact their communities
- Voter registration and engagement on-campus
- Building out local organizational capacity on-campus
- Electoral campaign work, including phone banking, canvassing, and other direct voter contact
- Other duties as assigned

Campus Leadership Fellows will spend 10-15 hours per week working.
Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Required:

- Strong appetite for grassroots organizing
- Excellent organizational + oral skills
- Driven with a strong work ethic
- Willingness to build relationships and talk to people you don’t know
- Creative with solutions oriented attitude
- Act with high integrity and character
- Strong sense of time management
- Reliable and effective communicator
- Team player

Compensation:
LIT offers stipended part-time campaign organizing fellowships for actively enrolled students of $600 per month.