



CCESL STUDENT SCHOLARS POSITION DESCRIPTION

[Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning](#) and [DU Grand Challenges](#)

AY 2024-2025

The Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning (CCESL) understands *community engagement* to be an approach to academic work emphasizing collaborative, mutually beneficial community partnerships for community impact.

CCESL Student Scholars are students who want to learn more about the social justice issues that matter to them, how to apply their academic learning to those issues, and develop concrete skills and tools for making change in partnership with communities. As Scholars **Think.Connect.Act.Reflect** on social justice issues and undertake community-engaged work, they contribute to DU Grand Challenges (DUGC), a university-wide initiative that brings together community and university change-makers to address complex public problems and advance the DUGC vision of a world in which all communities thrive. CCESL Student Scholars will engage throughout the academic year and celebrate accomplishments at the end of Spring Quarter.

Scholars contribute to community-engaged projects connected to CCESL and its Community-Engaged Fellows (Fellows are graduate/advanced undergraduate students who serve as mentors for CCESL Student Scholars), gaining hands-on community-engaged experience. Additionally, students engage with peers and receive mentorship to reflect on these experiences, find meaning in their work, and explore ways to integrate their learning.

For an up-to-date list of projects seeking Student Scholar support, click [here](#). More positions may be added to this list as projects develop. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Current DU undergraduate or graduate students enrolled for the 2023-2024 academic year are eligible to apply.
- Strong interest in social change and collaborating with communities is preferred

COMPENSATION AND TIME COMMITMENT:

- **Pay Rate:** \$19.00-\$20.00/hour, commensurate with education level and relevant experience
- **Hours:** 5 hours/week for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters, with most hours occurring during normal business hours

RESPONSIBILITIES:

COMMUNITY-ENGAGED PROJECT

- Scholars will fulfill stated responsibilities or duties related to their project
- Actively communicate and build relationships with team members, community partners, and project leads

TRAINING AND PEER LEARNING



- Participate in biweekly DUGC Student Scholar Meetings, Mondays 4:00-5:00pm for professional development (schedule conflicts may be addressed on a case-by-case basis)
- Attend CCESL Student Trainings and select events
- Complete Canvas and other training materials related to the position

MENTORSHIP

- Meet biweekly with Fellow mentor for 30-minute 1to1s for mentorship and support

REFLECTION

- Engage in authentic and critical reflection throughout the year and in their ePortfolio development
- Completion of an ePortfolio (website) by end of week 8 of Spring quarter that summarizes and reflects upon Scholar's collaborative work

BENEFITS:

In addition to an hourly wage, Scholars receive access to project funds, community-engaged research opportunities, professional development, and mentorship.

In compliance with Colorado's Healthy Families and Workplaces Act (HFWA), non-benefited employees accrue one hour of paid leave for every 30 hours worked up to a maximum of 48 hours per year.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Written and verbal communication skills
- Interpersonal skills
- Initiative, follow-through and reliability
- Adaptability and flexibility

HOW TO APPLY:

Applications for the 2024-2025 academic year are now open. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. [Apply here.](#)

WORKING ENVIRONMENT:

- Standard office environment.
- Unexpected interruptions occur often, and stress level is low to moderate.
- Noise level is quiet to moderate.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES:

- Use of standard office equipment

MORE INFORMATION:



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Learn more about CCESL and the Scholars Program here. Contact Student Programs Manager John Macikas at John.Macikas@du.edu with questions.

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