



Accepting Applications: Education Access Fellowship

Terms: September 1, 2026 through January 30, 2027
January 1, 2027 through July 31, 2027

Work Schedule: Approximately 25-30 hours per week, 450 hours total
Programs scheduled 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Monday - Thursday
Team meetings on Fridays, 10a to 2p

Compensation: \$15 per hour, professional development, practicum hours,
AmeriCorps Education Award with 450 hours of service

Organization and Program Description

The Book Works Project supports young people (age 12 to 21 years) experiencing educational disruptions due to academic skills gaps, childhood trauma, racial or social discrimination, economic hardship, and related challenges. Services include school-time and after school programs for middle and high school students during suspensions or gaps in enrollment, education advocacy, and social-emotional and academic skills development.

AmeriCorps Description

AmeriCorps is a federal program supporting national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps provides opportunities for people of all backgrounds to serve their country, address the nation's most pressing challenges, and improve lives and communities. AmeriCorps members are called volunteers, but are paid through The Book Works and receive an Education Award upon completion of their service.

Purpose of the Positions

The Book Works Education Access Fellows work with middle and high school-age students individually and in small groups to develop critical literacy, social-emotional, and school success skills. *Each Fellow will receive training to focus on one of two areas:*

- Adolescent Literacy - tutoring, reading assessments, and strategies to support learning.
- Youth Mental Health - trauma informed care, mental health first aid, peer support.

Duties

All Education Access Fellows will:

- Facilitate educational and social-emotional workshops in one-on-one settings and in groups.
- Collect and analyze information on the academic or social emotional skills of students through assessments, interviews, and school records, with parent permission.
- Develop resources for families on improving academic skills, managing school avoidance and behavior challenges, and related topics.
- Collect information to support program evaluation and to share the impact of services.

- Assist with class management, individual homework support, and related activities in the Education Engagement sites.
- Adhere to The Book Works guidelines for maintaining a safe environment for students, families, and colleagues.
- Maintain accurate and confidential records of student progress and service activities;
- Participate in meetings and trainings with The Book Works staff and other AmeriCorps members.
- Participate in AmeriCorps Days of Service events.

Fellows focused on Adolescent Literacy:

- Tutor middle and high school students on literacy and related subjects at Engagement Sites and in community settings (ie libraries, community centers).
- Assist Education Advocates in identifying individualized strategies for improving reading and overall academic engagement.

Fellows focused on Youth Mental Health:

- Assist the Youth Services Coordinator in facilitating a curriculum on youth mental health in community sites.

Service Locations

- Engagement Hub @ Neighborhood House: 201 N 25th St, 40212
- Engagement Hub @ Americana Community Center: 4801 Southside Dr, 40214
- Main Office @ Shelby Park Community Center, 600 E. Oak St. Louisville, KY 40203
- Other community spaces (libraries, community centers) as needed.

Required Knowledge and Skills:

- Age 18 to 24 years. College enrollment not required but preferred.
- Experience working with youth from diverse and traditionally underserved populations, including students of color, low-income students, or students with disabilities.
- Demonstrated capacity to organize and follow through on complex and detailed tasks.
- Demonstrated capacity to develop and foster professional working relationships with students, families, community partners, and team members.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Reliable transportation is preferred. Mileage between worksites is reimbursed.

Physical Demands

While performing the essential duties of this position, Fellows must have the physical and mental stamina to perform their duties throughout the typical service day and during special events. Reasonable accommodations will be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

To apply: Send a resume and cover letter describing relevant experience and professional goals to Jess Dauster, info@thebookworks.org