

## **2021 PAID SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

## COORDINATE OCA-NY ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN ADVOCATES'

## **15TH ANNUAL HATE CRIMES PREVENTION ART PROJECT**

OCA-NY is looking for a college student or recent college graduate for a full-time summer internship position to coordinate **OCA-NY's 15th Annual Hate Crimes Prevention Art Project**. Statistics from the FBI, New York Police Department, and community watch groups all show that xenophobic hatred, particularly against Asian Americans is on the rise. This spike in hate crimes, locally and nationally, is against a backdrop of misplaced backlash for Covid-19, an anti-immigrant climate, and fear fueled by elected politicians and organized hate groups toward marginalized communities-racial and ethnic minorities, immigrants, LGBTQ+, and women. Now, more than ever, this Project is needed. This Project involves coordinating and online training of diverse teenagers from select youth organizations on hate crimes and using art as a tool to prevent hate crimes. These youth will then devise the rules of a city-wide hate crimes art contest, advertise the contest, judge the submissions, and plan the opening of the Art Exhibit, which is the culmination of the Art Project. Depending on the covid-19 restriction rules, the Project may be entirely conducted online or in a hybrid situation. For more info on the project, please go to www.oca-ny.org.

Dates of Internship: May 17, 2021 - August 15, 2021

Stipend: \$3,000 (includes local travel expenses)

Application Deadline: Sunday, April 18, 2021, 6 p.m. EST

Please send a cover letter, current resume and essay (500 words maximum) on why you should be selected for this position, include names and contact information of two references: one from someone who is knowledgeable about your character and leadership skills and one from a professor that has taught you within the last year. E-mail cover letter, resume, essay and references to info@oca-ny.org. Indicate in the subject line: "OCA-NY Hate Crimes Project Summer 2021 Internship-then put your name."

Interviews: April 22-25, 2021 (phone or in-person interviews in Manhattan, NY)

**Qualifications:** Commitment to social justice issues

Experience in facilitating youth projects Leadership experience in student organizations Ability to work independently, a self-starter, strong organizational skills Flexible schedule, some weekends and nights are required Work well with diverse student groups (ethnic, economic, social)

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