

# Alternative Break Program Application Winter 2014

#### Section 1

### Alternative Break Sites:

• January 4 - 11 - Winter Service Week in New York City

Spend a week in NYC serving at a soup kitchen, a city hospital, center for women and children or with people who are homeless. Le Moyne Campus Ministry will partner with Canisius College's Campus Ministry on this experience.

Moderator - Fr. Bucki, S.J.

**Transportation** – each participant (up to 18 people) will make their own way to NYC and Fr. Bucki will figure out the rest.

• January 5 - 11 - St. Francis Inn, Philadelphia, PA.

St. Francis Inn is a soup kitchen which serves a daily meal to 250-300 people. Participants will assist with picking up the daily donations; preparing and serving the meal; sorting and distributing donations; and visiting with the guests. View the website at www.stfrancisinn.org.

Moderator - Fr. Bill Dolan, S.J.

Transportation - Le Moyne College minivan with space available for up to 7 persons.

• January 12 - 18 - Camden Center for Environmental Transformation.

This trip provides the group with a safe and engaging opportunity to explore the complicated issues of environmental justice, sustainability, and urban life. View the website at: <a href="http://www.cfet.org/programs/environmental-retreats/">http://www.cfet.org/programs/environmental-retreats/</a>.

Moderator - Greg Mellor

**Transportation** - Le Moyne College large passenger van with space available for up to 10 persons for this trip.

Site	Dates	This is my first choice.	I am interested in being considered for this site	I am not interested or able to go to this site.
NYC Service Week	January 4 - 11			
St. Francis Inn, Philadelphia, PA	January 5 - 11			
Camden Center for Environmental Transformation	January 12 - 18			

Please submit this application to Beth Scanlon at scanlela@lemoyne.edu.

#### Section 2:

### Mission of the Alternative Break program:

The Alternative Break program is a faith based program responding to the call to work for peace and justice in the world through domestic and international service and learning opportunities for the students, faculty and staff of Le Moyne College. The goal of the program is for participants to deepen their relationship with God through:

- sharing in the lives of those living in poverty through short-term service projects and living experiences;
- reflecting critically on issues of faith and justice;
- being exposed to the wonderful diversity of God's creations through an encounter with those living in a culture different from their own;
- offering their skills, resources, and gifts for the purpose of creating a more just world;
- Campus Ministry's mission to integrate faith and justice, a vision of spiritual life
  articulated in the gospel message and the church's call for a "preferential option for the
  poor";
- opportunities to implement service/immersion experience into social justice endeavors back home.

**TYPE** your response to the following essay questions. Please email your application to Beth Scanlon at <a href="mailto:scanlela@lemoyne.edu">scanlela@lemoyne.edu</a>.

- 1. Have you ever participated in a service/immersion trip before, either at Le Moyne or elsewhere? Please explain.
- 2. Where do you spend most of your time at Le Moyne (student organizations, a job, internship)? What activities do you partake in that you are the most passionate about?
- 3. What is your academic major? What are your plans upon graduation?
- 4. We will be going to the St. Francis Inn, NYC service week and Camden Center for Environmental Transformation. Why do you feel called to go to the particular site you identified as your first choice?
- 5. Would you be open to going to a different site other than the one you selected as your first choice? If so, which one(s) would you be interested in and why?

## Section 3:

## Contact information - general and emergency

## **General Information**

Name on your passport/State ID: _	
Name you prefer to be called (if dif	ferent):
Student ID#	Class year:
Email:	Mobile Phone:
Date of Birth:	
Major(s):	Minor(s) :
Local address:	
Home address:	
Emergency Contact Information	
Name of contact/relationship (must	be above 18 years of age):
Phone Number:	email:
Health Information	
Do you have any dietary restrictions	s and/or food allergies? Yes No
If yes what?	
Do you have any medical conditions	that may affect your participation on the trip?
If yes, please explain:	

#### Section 4:

## Financially Responsibility

The costs of the trips vary and are ultimately your responsibility. Fundraising advice and information is available upon request. The following is a list of the January trips with the associated costs:

- St. Francis Inn cost is \$100 which covers a donation to the Inn, dinner out as a group one night and transportation costs.
- Winter Service Week In NYC cost is \$40 (covers food for the week); you will need to purchase a seven day subway pass for \$30 and own cost of transportation to NYC.
- Camden Center for Environmental Transformation cost is \$250 which covers donation to the center and travel.

A \$50 deposit for all trips is due on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. (\$40 total for New York City) The balance is due on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some limited scholarships are available. Please see Beth Scanlon in Campus Ministry for the details.