SBO: Program Information

Mission and Values

SBO is an educational service immersion program in which students learn about issues facing local communities across the country through first-hand experience. The program includes indepth preparation and education on campus, direct service opportunities with a community-based organization, education about community and justice issues, time for group reflection before, during, and after the trip, and the opportunity to advocate back on campus for the issues and communities encountered during the trip.

Each site group is led by a trained student Site Leader who is responsible for logistics, group dynamics, reflection and education. A university employee is included as a fully-participating member in most site groups to provide a multi-generational perspective on community issues and service, as well as to provide support for the Site Leader.

SBO Program Values

- 1. **Social Justice** which can be learned and understood through involvement in . . .
- 2. **Community Service** . . . which has the potential to transform participants when accompanied by . . .
- 3. **Guided Reflection** and . . .
- 4. **Education** about social justice issues . . . experienced within a framework of . . .
- 5. **Community** . . . and an understanding that everyone benefits when we choose to live in
- 6. **Simplicity**

SBO: Details and Schedule

Program Components

- Participant Orientation
- Team Meetings
- Immersion Trip
- Re-Entry Gathering
- Post-trip meetings
- Advocacy Day

Team Make-Up Each of the five teams consists of:

- 10 undergraduate students
- 1 Student Site Leader
- 1 Staff participant or a second Student Site Leader

Program Fees - \$325 Baltimore, West Virginia, Washington D.C. \$375 Alabama (Civil Rights Site)

Do not let financial concerns inhibit you from applying to the programs! If the individual contribution poses a problem, you are encouraged to speak with the coordinators.

SBO Calendar 2017

Applications due October 7, 2016 by 3pm

Decisions e-mailed October 17, 2016 Participant Orientation October 30, 2016

Team meetings 4-6 between November – February

Immersion trip March 5-11, 2017

Re-entry Gathering TBD Advocacy Day TBD