Saint Anselm College • Meelia Center • Service Learning – Volunteer Sites 2017-2018

* **B** indicates sites requiring some form of <u>background check</u>. **FB** indicates sites requiring <u>fingerprinting and a background check</u>.

*Find the Online Service Learning and Volunteer Application at the bottom of www.anselm.edu/meelia

Spring 2018 Campus Opportunities

Access Academy - Access Academy, offered Mondays and Tuesdays, is an on-campus, educational after-school program serving refugee, immigrant and underrepresented Manchester high school students. Volunteers work with high school students to complete program requirements and participate in weekly program dinners. Volunteers can assist with curriculum development and implementation if they choose.

Access Academy (Monday) - Programs include: Career and College Exploration, Computer Literacy, Environmental Studies, French Food and Literature, and Through the Lens: Photographs and Their Stories. **M 3:30-5:30pm** *Contact: Sneha Hoda - snhoda@anselm.edu +FB*

Access Academy (Tuesday) - Programs include: College Admissions, Exploring Your Human Rights, Illustrations, and Storytelling. T 3:30-5:30pm +FB

Davison ESOL - Help Anselmians learn English through one-on-one mentoring here on campus. **Hours TBD** *Contact: Grace D'Antuono - gdantuono@anselm.edu*

Spring 2018 Community Sites

21st Century - Assist with afterschool program at an inner-city elementary school. The program inspires all students to reach their full potential academically, socially and personally through support activities. M-F, 3:30-5:30pm Contact: Abby Guerra - abguerra@anselm.edu +FB

Bartlett Elementary School - Assist in classroom activities, lead small groups, or tutor one-on-one. Help with reading & support kids w/ academic and/or social-emotional challenges **M–F, 8:30am-4pm** *Contact: Cara Onyski - conyski@anselm.edu or Katie McGillivray - kmcgillivray@anselm.edu +FB*

Benchmark - Assist with activity groups and spend time with residents who are diagnosed with various stages of dementia. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Becky Rondeau - rrondeau@anselm.edu* **+B**

Big Brother Big Sister - Mentors connect with a child younger than themselves. Be a good role model and help children with whatever they may need. This is a one hour a week, year-long commitment. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Mary Whalen - mwhalen@anselm.edu +B*

Bridge Academy - Alternative High School/ Drop-Out Prevention for youth aged 15-18. **M-Th. 9am-2pm** *Contact: Grace D'Antuono - gdantuono@anselm.edu +FB*

BRING IT - Support students 4th-12th grade from all different backgrounds and cultures. Over 20 languages are spoken at Bring It and volunteers have the opportunity to assist and participate in our Homework Help program, soccer, dance, or nursing program. **T&W 5:30-8:30pm at Hillside Middle School, M&Th 5:30-8:30pm Parkside Middle School** *Contact: Sheila Ramirez - SRamirez@anselm.edu* **+B**

Child and Family Services - Volunteers work at the Street Outreach Program for homeless and runaway youth (ages 13-23). Help clients with homework, listen to their stories, assist clients with finding jobs, accessing food, clothes, laundry services, etc. Site interview required. **Hours: M-F 10am-6pm** *Contact: Adrianna Manzi - amanzi@anselm.edu*

Compassus Hospice and Palliative Care - Provide support to hospice patients through one-on-one interactions and group activities. Training and two year commitment required. Flexible Hours Contact: Patrick Blaney - pblaney@anselm.edu

Crotched Mountain - Assist students, aged 6-22 years old, who are coping with developmental and/or physical handicaps. Weekend visits and activities available. **M–F, 8am–5pm; Sat/Sun open** *Contact: Erin McCosh - emccosh@anselm.edu +FB*

Dismas House - Assist formerly incarcerated women in a resident environment as they prepare to be reintroduced into society. Work with Dismas Home staff and residents to identify and create opportunities to foster success, dignity, and increased responsibility. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Emily Provencher - eprovencher@anselm.edu*

Division of Children, Youth and Families - Students help run an Independent Living Skills group for teens aging out of the foster care system and help facilitate conversations about safety, budgeting, nutrition, heath, educational support etc. **Flexible Hours, group dependent** *Contact: Jenna Baker - jebaker@anselm.edu*

Dreamcatchers - Assist middle school students living with learning disabilities and conduct programming. Volunteers will work with paraprofessionals in Manchester middle schools to lead the clubs. Volunteers will prepare programming one week and the following week implem **Hours TBD** *Contact: Madi Jones - mjones@anselm.edu* **+B**

Easter Seals - Childcare center in Manchester for children 6 months to 12 years. The program targets children of low-income families. Volunteer opportunities include classroom aide, or Big Brother/Big Sister. **M–F, 6:30am–12pm & 2-5:30pm** *Contact: Sarah McAndrews - smcandrews@anselm.edu*

Easter Seals HiSET - The HiSET Program helps young adults and adults who have not received their high school diplomas to study and take a test that is worth the equivalent. Volunteers will aid in the preparation courses that offer one-on-one support to students in subjects th **M–F, 6:30am–12pm & 2-5:30pm** Contact: Sarah McAncrews - smcandrews@anselm.edu

Elmwood Gardens - Work directly with refugees in grades k-8 by providing homework help after school while acting as a mentor for children in the Elmwood Gardens project housing community. Some days are spent playing organized sports and outside activities with the children **M-F, 3-5 pm** *Contact: Ashley Robichaud - arobichaud@anselm.edu or Keelin Walsh - kewalsh@anselm.edu*

English for New Americans (ENA) - Help refugees and immigrants learn English & adapt to a new environment through ESOL classes, and cultural activities. Volunteers serve as teacher's aides or one-on-one mentors. Volunteers also take part in cultural activities. MTW 6pm-8pm Contact: Joe Francis @anselm.edu

Girl Scouts - Start a Girl Scout Starter Troop to mentor girls in grades K to 5 and help them build courage, confidence, and character to become leaders of tomorrow. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Margaret O'Connor - moconnor@anselm.edu +B*

Girls at Work - Mentor young girls with woodworking and building skills that empowers the girls to build confidence and overcome adversity. Volunteers will prepare building kits and be positive role models for the youth. **Hours TBD** *Contact: Margaret O'Connor - moconnor@anselm.edu*

Girls Inc. - Inspiring all girls to be Strong, Smart and Bold! Girls Inc. is an after-school and dinner program that targets economically disadvantaged and/or at-risk girls aged 5-15. **M–F 3-5pm, 4-6pm** *Contact: Jacqueline Talbot - jtalbot@anselm.edu or Gillian Kayo - gkayo@anselm.edu*

Granite Pathways - Help run activities including, recreational, educational and career exploration at a club house for members with varying mental health diagnoses. Work with members and staff to complete daily activities and tasks. **T 12pm-4pm, 2 hour shifts** *Contact: Bridget Bell - bbell@anselm.edu* +**B**

Hampshire House - Federal prison half-way house where volunteers teach computer lessons and provide support with job search and career exploration. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Megan Miller - mmiller@anselm.edu +B*

Head Start - Program for low-income ESL (English Second Language) children where volunteers serve as classroom aides, assisting the teachers in different activities, while establishing relationships with children ages 3-5. **M–F, 8am –12pm, 2–5pm** Contact: Danielle Whitman - dwhitman@anselm.edu

Hillsborough County Nursing Home (HCNH) - Volunteers are matched up one-on-one with residents, visit patients, and organize group activities. Additional service opportunities are also available in the Alzheimer's unit. **Hours: M –Su, 7am – 7pm** *Contact: Erin McCosh - emccosh@anselm.edu +B*

Holy Cross Family Learning Center - Help refugees and immigrants learn English & adapt to a new environment through ESOL classes, and cultural activities. Volunteers serve as teacher's aides or one-on-one mentors. Volunteers also take part in cultural activities. M-Th 9:00am-11:30am, Tu & W 5-7pm Contact: Joe Francis - jfrancis@anselm.edu

Hope for NH Recovery - Assist those seeking recovery from addiction. Activities include support with computers, hospitality and a listening ear. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Bridget Bell - bbell@anselm.edu*

International Institute of NE, Manchester - Volunteers support the work of this refugee resettlement center assisting with English language classes, civics classes, and airport pickups. M-Th 9-11:00am, T 5:30-8:30pm, and F 9-11:30am Contact: Grace D'Antuono - gdantuono@anselm.edu +B

Kids Café - Soup kitchen run by the Salvation Army for children in need. Volunteers tutor the children, help with homework, serve dinner, & participate in after dinner activities (sports, crafts, etc.). **M–Th, 5-7pm** *Contact: Nicolette Manzi - nmanzi@anselm.edu or Meagan Dubois - medubois@anselm.edu*

Kids Café - Teen Night - Similar to Kids Café, but specifically for teens age 13-17. A meal is provided along with a safe place to participate in positive recreational activities including basketball and soccer. F/Sat 6:30pm-10:30pm Contact: Nicolette Manzi - nmanzi@anselm.edu or Meagan Dubois - medubois@anselm.edu

Liberty House - Assist in the food pantry and clothing program and interact with veterans transitioning from homelessness. **M-Sun, after 3pm** *Contact: Erin Martin - emartin@anselm.edu*

Making Community Connections (MC2) Charter School - Work with middle and high school students to support student academic success and behavioral growth by teaching a class or helping out with after-school activities. M-F 9am-5:30pm Contact: Michael Botch - mbotch@anselm.edu +B

Manchester Animal Shelter - Volunteers support the shelter in the following opportunities: dog care, cat care, general cleaning, fundraising, graphic design, newsletter support, reception team and more. **M-F, 8am-7pm** *Contact: Meelia Center - meeliacenter@anselm.edu*

Manchester Police Athletic League - Recreational programs for at-risk youth including boxing, judo, weights/exercise, etc. Support also offered with homework help. M-Th 3-6pm Contact: Megan Miller - mmiller@anselm.edu

Manchester Schools - Elementary - Assist in classroom activities, story-time, art projects, etc., lead small groups, or tutor one-on-one. Help with reading/mentoring & supporting kids w/ academic and/or social-emotional challenges. M—F 8:30am-2:30pm Contact: Cara Onyski - conyski@anselm.edu or Katie McGillivray - kmcgillivray@anselm.edu +FB

Manchester Schools - Middle/High - Assist in special education and ESOL classrooms w/ school students who need extra support, encouragement & attention. M–F 8:30am-2:30pm Contact: Cara Onyski - conyski@anselm.edu or Katie McGillivray - kmcgillivray@anselm.edu +FB

Moore Center - Agency serves young adults and adults with developmental disabilities, or acquired brain injury. Volunteers assist in life skills classes, facilitate social interactions among client, and act as tutors. **M–F 8:30am-4:30pm** *Contact: Madi Jones - mjones@anselm.edu +B*

My Turn - Help youth develop their skills, goals, and self-confidence through alternative education, post-secondary planning, career exploration, and employment training. **Hours: M-Th 8:40am-9:30am and 10:30am-2:00pm** *Contact: Michael Botch - mbotch@anselm.edu +FB*

New Horizons - Help with meal preparation, sorting and packing food, picking up donated food, and soup kitchen meal serving. M-F 9am-3pm Meal Serving 3:30-6pm Contact: Adrianna Manzi - amanzi@anselm.edu

ORIS - An ethnic community-based organization who mission aids in the resettlement of refugee and immigrant groups by providing assistance, training, resources, and opportunities that promote self-sufficiency. Volunteers will help with a variety of programs. **TBD** *Contact: Grace D'Antuono - gdantuono@anselm.edu*

Pine Haven - Residential program for abused & neglected boys age 6-12. Volunteers will work directly with the boys during or after school hours. **M –F 8:30-2:30pm or late afternoon/early evenings** *Contact: Molly Benson - mbenson@anselm.edu +FB*

Political Parties - Work with local, state and national campaigns and participate in the political process. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Rebekah Stearns - RStearns@anselm.edu*

Public Achievement - Assist students while they learn about democracy, citizenship and public work. **Afterschool** *Contact: Rebekah Stearns - rstearns@anselm.edu or Matt Panneton - mpanneton@anselm.edu +FB(site dependent)*

Saint Benedict's Academy - Assist students in the classroom, at recess and afterschool activities, providing one-on-one mentoring, educational and social-emotional support at Catholic School. **M-F 8-5pm** *Contact: Jacqueline Talbot - jtalbot@anselm.edu* +**B**

Selma Deitch Early Learning Program: Developmental Preschool - Volunteers work w/ special education teachers in classrooms for 3-5 year olds who have autism, Down's syndrome & other developmental challenges. **M–F, 9-11am & 12:30-3pm** *Contact: Danielle Whitman - dwhitman@anselm.edu*

Sununu YSC - Secure treatment facility for delinquent youth of New Hampshire. Volunteer opportunities include tutoring, mentoring, assisting in the on-site school, career coaching, etc. **Flexible Hours** *Contact: Caroline Dougherty - cdougherty@anselm.edu or Kait Brine - kbrine@anselm.edu +B*

UpReach Therapeutic Riding Center - Horseback riding program dedicated to improving the physical, emotional & psychological development of challenged children & adults through progressive therapies centered on horseback riding. No horse experience required. **M–F 8:30am–4:30pm (some evening hours may be available)** *Contact: Christina Behen - cbehen@anselm.edu*

VA Hospital - Work with the Chaplain in the Hospice Unit with terminally ill veterans. **Flexible hours** *Contact: Felipe Bispo-fbispo@anselm.edu*

Webster House - Provide tutoring and support to boys & girls (ages 12-17) in group home for abused & neglected children. **M–F, 6:30-8:30pm** *Contact: Emily Provencher - eprovencher@anselm.edu +FB*

YMCA START - A research-based after school program for at risk middle school students where volunteers help tutor and provide support in team building exercises. **M**–**F 3:00-5:30pm** *Contact: Hailey Droogan - hdroogan@anselm.edu +B*

YMCA STAY - Volunteers act as teachers' aides in a special life-skills class offered at Manchester middle and high schools. M-F 7:30am-2:30pm Contact: Hailey Droogan - hdroogan@anselm.edu

YMCA STRIVE Program - Volunteers work with middle and high school students who have been suspended or expelled from school. Provide educational support and informal mentoring. M—F 9:30am-1:30pm Contact: Hailey Droogan - hdroogan@anselm.edu +B

YMCA Teen Center - Assist in an after school program for Manchester youth. Volunteers help with homework, as well as mentor and spend time with teenagers. M-F 2:00pm-6:00pm Contact: Hailey Droogan - hdroogan@anselm.edu +B

YWCA Crisis Center - Train and Volunteer as a Crisis Line advocate against sexual/domestic violence. Provide support via phone and emergency room calls. Requires 36 hours of training and 2 semester commitment, and two 12 hr. on-call shifts per month. Two 12 hr. on-call shifts per month Contact: Abby Roden - aroden@anselm.edu +B