

West Tennessee STEM Student Ambassadors Program



Request for Applications

The West Tennessee STEM Hub is now accepting applications for undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) majors in the Memphis area to serve in our STEM Student Ambassadors program. Information regarding qualifications, job description, and the application process are provided below:

Qualifications

Applicants must be pursuing an undergraduate STEM major at a 2- or 4-year college or university in the Memphis area. Students must have (and maintain) at least a 2.5 GPA to apply for the Ambassador position. Applicants with leadership experience with STEM student organizations or other community organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. All students selected for the STEM Ambassador positions must complete a formal training program with the West TN STEM Hub and must complete all requirements established by the partnering high schools (including a background check) prior to working with students.

Job Description

STEM Student Ambassadors will work with students at two local STEM focused high schools (East High School and STEM Platform School at Southwind High), serving as mentors, facilitating activities designed to increase awareness and understanding of STEM major and career opportunities, and guiding work on STEM related competitions and projects. STEM Student Ambassadors will receive monthly stipends of \$175 for the months of October 2013- May 2014 for their involvement in the program. The Ambassadors will be required to participate in the program approximately 15 hours per month in a structured set of activities including visits to the high school classrooms, events hosted at the University of Memphis, and an online blog designed to provide a forum for discussions related to STEM majors and careers. Juniors and seniors in STEM majors may be selected to serve in an expanded capacity as tutors/mentors (up to 15 paid hours per week). Please check the appropriate box on the application if you are interested in applying for these expanded Ambassador positions.

Application Process

To apply to serve as a West Tennessee STEM Student Ambassador:

- Complete the [online application](#);

- Submit two letters of reference from faculty or former employers familiar with your academic performance, work ethic, and leadership capabilities to Dr. Stephanie Ivey (ssalyers@memphis.edu).
- Applications should be submitted by September 27th, with participants notified of their application status by October 1, 2013. Training will be conducted for all selected participants on October 4 from 1:00-2:00 PM.