Summer Social Action Awards (S2A2)

Summer Social Action Awards (S2A2s) allows a student to serve a non-profit or NGO attending to an issue of their particular interest for 10 weeks during the summer. It enables Swarthmore students to engage in meaningful work for social justice with nonprofit organizations, grass-roots advocacy groups, and public service agencies.

The program’s objective is to provide students with opportunities to:

- Pre-professional experience supervised by professional staff member of non-profit, governmental or non-governmental agency.
- Learn how nonprofits and grass roots organizations operate by participating in various organizational functions, such as staff meetings, board meetings, community meetings, special projects, and service activities;
- Provide hands-on support to those organizations and link academic studies and real-world experiences through both structured evaluation sessions and personal reflection.

Regulations:

- Student must be available and willing to serve 10 consecutive full time weeks;
- Student may not serve student-run project
- Two letters of recommendation and an official offer of a supervised experience required.
- $185 per week in living expenses plus $2500 summer earnings requirement offset.
- Available to current sophomores and juniors only. Available only to individual students-no groups or pairs. Students on foreign study are eligible to apply.
- Required attendance at training event (unless on foreign study)

For Faculty Recommenders: You are welcome to email a letter of recommendation to dkardon1. Alternately, you may complete the S2A2/CCF Recommendation Form for Faculty [doc] and email to dkardon1. Please contact Deb Kardon-Brown (dkardon1), 610-328-8623 for more information and questions.