EXPERIENCE BLACK ROCK FOREST June 2 - 6, 2017 - FREE

Is this program for you? You must be freshman or sophomore who has completed one or more science courses by Fall 2016 with a minimum of 3.0 GPA. Do you enjoy the study of science? Have you wondered what it might be like to teach science? If you answered positively to the last two questions, then you may want to explore how teaching middle or high school science can be an exciting career, particularly when novel hands-on field-based activities are supplemented with traditional classroom activities.

What is this experience? This program is brought to you as part of QC’s SCITECH PROGRAM for freshman and sophomores interested in a STEM teaching career. You will be led by an instructor during your 4 night and 5 day stay at Black Rock Forest. You will learn about GLOBE protocols for observation, exploration, experimentation, interpretation, and curriculum linking. While this includes exciting experiences such as hiking, orienteering, and canoeing as part of the program, you will also have opportunities to design your own games that we believe you will find both enjoyable and educational.

Is there a cost? NO. This program is extended to you free of cost to help you explore your enthusiasm for teaching. Even your transportation and food are included!

Should I commit to teaching if I attend this program? The short answer is NO. Teaching science in a school requires a broad array of skills and can be a wonderful career that is richly rewarding for the right student. We will invite interested candidates to apply to the scholarship program based on their feedback. Candidates’ applications will then be reviewed to determine that they meet all other scholarship requirements. Unfortunately, not everyone who attends the program will be offered a scholarship.

What is the teacher scholarship program? If you are one of the successful candidates to our teacher scholarship program, you will be part of a special initiative funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) that provides full tuition scholarship leading to your New York State Teacher Certification with dual degrees in your science major and Secondary Education from QC. You will also be provided with books, enhanced training, mentorship, and support while teaching. See the SCITECH brochure for more details.

How do I apply for this experience? If you are interested in participating in the Black Rock Forest experience, complete the information on the next page and bring it to Prof. Gopal Subramaniam, Remsen 206C, or Dr. David Laurenson, Delany Hall G10.

When is the deadline to apply? You are encouraged to apply before the end of the Fall semester to receive priority consideration. Applications are reviewed after the fall semester grades are submitted and you will be notified by Jan 31, 2017. Applications received during the Spring 2017 semester will be considered on a space available basis.
Application for Blackrock Forest Experience, June 2-6, 2017

NAME:

CUNY ID#: Tel#: Email:

Current Standing (circle one): Freshman Sophomore

Major: ________________ [If you have not declared yet, write undeclared]

Math & Science courses completed before Fall 2016:

Math & Science courses currently in progress (Fall 2016):

Please provide us with a brief summary of your background and experience to tell us why you are interested in this program.