



Oregon Campus Compact VISTA Program



Oregon Campus Compact

Oregon Campus Compact is a state affiliate chapter of Campus Compact, a national coalition of over 1,100 college and university presidents dedicated to promoting service learning, civic engagement, and community service in higher education.

To this end, it encourages, supports, and leverages the work of institutions to educate responsible citizens and caring leaders through service.

AmeriCorps*VISTA

For 45 years, members of AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) have actively served low-income areas by mobilizing people, businesses, and organizations with the goal of creating sustainable, healthy communities. The mission of AmeriCorps*VISTA has remained the same since it was first mandated by Congress,

*“AmeriCorps*VISTA builds permanent infrastructure in non-profit organizations to help them more effectively bring individuals and communities out of poverty.”*

Overview of the Oregon Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA Program

Oregon Campus Compact (ORCC) VISTA members will serve at higher education institutions around Oregon and will build the capacity of their sites to serve and engage in the community. ORCC VISTA member activities include:

- Coordination of programs that engage students in community service
- Collaboration with key faculty and staff to develop service-learning programs
- Creation of greater awareness around local poverty issues
- Building of relationships and partnerships between their institution and the community
- Implementation of campus-wide service days that address local poverty
- Facilitation of alternative breaks

The following institutions will host ORCC VISTA members during the 2010-11 service year:

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| • Concordia University
Portland, Oregon | • Pacific University
Forest Grove, Oregon | • University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon |
| • Linfield College
McMinnville, Oregon | • Portland Community College
Portland, Oregon | • Warner Pacific University
Portland, Oregon |
| • Marylhurst University
Marylhurst, Oregon | • Portland State University
Portland, Oregon | • University of Portland
Portland, Oregon |
| • Oregon State University
Corvallis, Oregon | • Southern Oregon University
Ashland, Oregon | |

Benefits and Support

ORCC VISTA members receive a bi-weekly living allowance at the pre-tax rate of \$891.00 (Multnomah/Washington Counties) / \$858.00 (all other Oregon counties). VISTA members are eligible for health coverage and life insurance benefits. Upon successful completion of the service term, members are eligible to receive either a \$5,350 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award or a \$1,500 end-of-year stipend.

Eligibility

ORCC AmeriCorps*VISTA members must be able to commit to serve on a full-time basis for a full year (365 Days), and be:

- At least 18 years of age at the time of placement
- A U.S. Citizen, National, or Legal Resident
- Able to pass a criminal background check
- A college graduate (Bachelor's Degree)

To Apply

Detailed position descriptions and application directions will be posted on the AmeriCorps (www.americorps.gov) and Oregon Campus Compact (www.oregoncampuscompact.org) websites. Please direct inquiries by email to vista@oregoncampuscompact.org or by phone to (503) 725-2659.