The Growing Food Security Specialist creates a more equitable campus food system through managing the Growing Food Security educational garden and other basic needs security programs. Growing Food Security is a partnership between the Center for Civic Engagement and the Human Services Resource Center (HSRC) that aims to give students the resources that they need to be successful at Oregon State University.

**Student Leadership and Involvement (SLI)** shapes campus culture through self-discovery, leadership development, collaboration, community building and social responsibility with a myriad of active learning opportunities, preparing students to be catalysts for a more equitable and caring world.

**Within SLI, the Center for Civic Engagement (CCE)** facilitates reciprocal community engaged learning experiences in order to build community capacity, promote shared knowledge, enhance students’ leadership skills, and inspire positive change. In partnership with community-based organizations, CCE is committed to providing direct service, advocacy, philanthropy, and other community-engaged learning opportunities that allow students to meet diverse community needs while working towards a more just, sustainable world.

**Position Responsibilities:**

**Partnership Development**
- Assist with maintaining existing and cultivate new community partnerships to identify current volunteer, advocacy, and philanthropic needs and opportunities

**Project Management**
- In partnership with the HSRC, manage the Growing Food Security garden, including crop rotation planning, watering, weeding, and harvesting.
- Coordinate and evaluate events and projects including Seed to Supper classes, SNAP outreach, and cooking demonstrations
- Plan and facilitate Growing Food Security meetings and project committees as needed
- Liaise between CCE and sustainability groups on campus, including but not limited to: Organic Growers Club, Sustainability Office, Global Community Kitchen, UHDS, and academic programs
- Coordinate the seed library program
- Coordinate the Adopt a Bottle program
- Serve as project lead for CCE events

**Campus Involvement**
- Assist students interested in increasing their community engagement
- Represent SLI/CCE through campus information fairs, events, and in campus committees

**General Tasks**
- Maintain weekly office hours and work schedule
- Assist students who visit the office by providing information on community engagement opportunities
- Maintain office databases, records, and email accounts
- Staff signature SLI events and programming each term
- Engage in ongoing training, professional development and community building each term
- Perform other duties as assigned
**Required Qualifications**
- Experience in and knowledge of vegetable production and local food systems
- Demonstrated interest in and passion for community engagement, sustainability, and/or social justice
- Demonstrated knowledge of and sensitivity to historically underrepresented students (including, but not limited to, Students of Color, LGBTQ+ students, students with disabilities, students from low income backgrounds, veterans, first generation students, transfer students, students with various spiritual/religious beliefs and political affiliations, etc.)
- Demonstrated ability in effective verbal and written communication skills
- Demonstrated interpersonal communication, relationship building, and collaboration skills
- Demonstrated ability to be self-motivated and take initiative in following through on tasks
- Demonstrated ability to manage time and organize work with attention to detail
- Demonstrated knowledge of standard computer programs, specifically Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, etc.) and Google (G Suite)
- Must be a currently enrolled at OSU for at least 6 academic credits (undergraduates) or 3 credits (graduates) per term
- Must be in good academic standing, which means a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (undergraduates) or 3.0 (graduates)

**Preferred Qualifications**
- Experience in social justice or diversity work and/or working with diverse populations
- Knowledge of or experience with event and program planning
- Demonstrated ability to work individually and collaboratively as part of a team
- Completion of HORT 260 Organic Gardening or other gardening training
- Work study eligible
- Willingness and ability to drive a Motorpool 12-passenger van

**Working Conditions / Work Schedule**
- Expected to work an average of 10–15 hours each week. Hours may exceed 15 hours/week during large programming weeks.
- Required to attend staff meetings, supervisory meetings, and professional development sessions
- Employees with driver’s licenses will be asked to complete training to drive Motorpool 12-passenger vans
- Employees may be asked to lift or carry event supplies, equipment, or materials weighing up to 25 pounds and push or pull carts weighing up to 50 pounds if physically able to do so
- Work stations are located in a shared work area and may include regular distractions and interruptions
- Evening and weekend hours required to support student programming and outreach, some winter break hours may be required

**Terms**
- Term of employment is September 5, 2018 through June 14, 2019. Expectation of employment is for fall, winter, and spring terms.
- Pay rate starts at $11.05 per hour with increases for years of service

**Training Commitment**
- Required to fully participate in SLI Spring Orientation (TBD), Fall Training, and Welcome Week programming (September 5-19, 2018)
- Strongly encouraged to attend other leadership and social justice training opportunities whenever possible

*OSU commits to inclusive excellence by advancing equity and diversity in all that we do. We are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer, and particularly encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, women, individuals with disabilities, veterans, LGBTQ community members, and others who demonstrate the ability to help us achieve our vision of a diverse and inclusive community.*