



## Squashbusters- 12<sup>th</sup> Graders AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellow

AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellows deliver the resources young people need to be successful in life by creating, managing, and leading meaningful out-of-school time programs for youth in grades 6-12. Fellow projects focus on and college and career exploration and academic enrichment.

**The Massachusetts Promise Fellowship** achieves this by placing AmeriCorps Fellows with schools, non-profit organizations and state/local government agencies that focus on fulfilling the needs of our youth by providing: *a caring adult, a safe place, a healthy start, a marketable skill, and an opportunity to give back.*

### Service Description:

The SquashBusters Massachusetts Promise Fellows will work alongside other staff to help support our 12th grade cohort. The Fellow is responsible for supporting the future planning, academic achievement, and personal development of approximately 20-25 students on the SquashBusters Boston team. The Fellow will provide holistic support to students and help them stay on track to achieve their post-secondary goals by building strong relationships with them, their families, and school partners. The primary functions of this Fellowship are college and career exploration, academic support, curriculum development/activity facilitation, and classroom management.

### Essential Responsibilities:

- Deliver curriculum and one-on-one support to guide high school seniors through the process of researching, applying to, and selecting their post-secondary plans
- Organize and oversee daily homework help classrooms in support of students' school work
- Collaborate with colleagues in creating and delivering academic enrichment curriculum
- Help students connect to other opportunities as appropriate (summer opportunities, pre-college programs, scholarships, internships, etc.)
- Collaborate and communicate with staff, families, and school/community partners
- Participate in community service projects, squash tournaments, and field trips as needed
- Assist in supporting academic volunteers who work with students on their homework
- Complete program evaluation requirements including but not limited to preparing monthly reports, a youth attendance tracker, and time sheets
- Travel at least once/month for Fellowship meetings, retreats, and training throughout the Commonwealth

### Qualifications:

- Knowledge of the college application and financial aid process preferred
- Comfort tutoring and supporting students' academic development
- Strong group facilitation and communication skills
- Reliable, responsible, disciplined, engaged, self-reflective, and open to feedback
- Ability to relate effectively to diverse groups of people from a variety of backgrounds
- Thrives in a collaborative and fast-paced environment
- Valid driver's license and willingness to drive a 14-passenger van (training provided)
- Bachelor's degree, or Associate's degree with relevant experience
- Experience working with youth and a belief in the power and potential of young people
- Spanish language proficiency is a big plus

### Massachusetts Promise Fellowship

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- Must be a US Citizen, US National or Permanent Resident Alien
- Must be willing to undergo a National Service Criminal History Check, including screenings through the National Sex Offender Public Website, a name-based search of the statewide criminal history registry both in Massachusetts and your state of residence upon application to our program (if not Massachusetts), and a fingerprint based FBI check. \*Eligibility to participate in MPF is contingent on the results of this screening

### Fellow Schedule:

- Monday-Thursday 10am-7pm, Friday 10am-6pm
- Occasional Saturday commitments. If Fellow works Saturday they are awarded a “comp day” off, generally the Friday before

### Fellow Service Location:

- SquashBusters Boston: 795 Columbus Avenue, Boston MA, 02120

**Supervisor Name:** Mikhail Darlington

**Supervisor Email:** [m.darlington@squashbusters.org](mailto:m.darlington@squashbusters.org)

### Benefits

For an eleven month, full-time commitment and 1,700 hours of AmeriCorps service Fellows receive:

A taxable living allowance of up to \$15,500/year ♦ Excellent training opportunities ♦ FREE courses at Northeastern University in the College of Professional Studies & discounted courses upon successfully completing the service year ♦ Loan forbearance and an up to \$6,195 educational award ♦ Monthly travel allowance ♦ Career coaching and support ♦ Healthcare benefits

### Contact Information

**Apply ASAP!** Applicants are hired on a rolling basis.

Visit [mpfapplication2020](#) to complete a general application **ASAP before June 1st, 2020**

### More Info:

- Selection decisions will be made on or before July 1st, 2020. **All position offers will be provisional until 2020-2021 federal funding has been confirmed.**
- Program start date is August 4th, 2020
- More information about SquashBusters and the youth program can be found at <https://squashbusters.org/>
- Visit [www.masspromisefellows.org](http://www.masspromisefellows.org) for detailed program information

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