

CUP is hiring!

The Center for Urban Pedagogy (CUP) is a nonprofit organization that uses the power of design and art to increase meaningful civic engagement. We collaborate with designers, educators, advocates, students, and communities to make educational tools that demystify complex policy and planning issues.

We believe that increasing understanding of how these systems work is the first step to better, more equitable, and more diverse community participation. For more information, visit CUP at: http://welcometoCUP.org.

CUP is looking for a Teaching Artist to lead a *Digital City Study* in the summer of 2018 in the Bronx.

CUP's intensive, project-based curricula enable high school students to explore fundamental questions about how the city works through collaborative research and design. To find answers, students go beyond standard classroom learning and engage in active research, conduct site visits, and interview decision-makers and stakeholders. Students then collaborate with the Teaching Artist to produce innovative, engaging print and digital tools. These projects are taken up by neighborhood organizations and advocacy groups to educate others about the issue. For more information on *City Studies*, visit: http://welcometocup.org/Projects/CityStudies

Teaching Artist Description

The *Digital City Studies* Teaching Artist will work with CUP, the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), and a group of high school students to investigate New York City's ecosystem and the individuals that have shaped its distinct identity through free and open source digital media tools.

The responsibilities of this position are to

+Attend program trainings and develop lesson plans, using CUP's award-winning methodologies +Lead program sessions from July 9 to July 20, 2018, Monday through Friday, from 10am to 2pm at Fannie Lou Hamer Freedom High School in the Bronx

- +Implement art and design activities
- +Teach active research and interview skills
- +Manage site visits, community surveys, and stakeholder interviews
- +Create a final digital product
- +Assist in a final presentation and program evaluation

This position pays a project stipend of \$5,500. There is a seperate budget for materials and other project costs.

Qualifications

Applicants should have past experience teaching high school students, being the lead in a classroom, developing art and design activities, and writing curriculum.

The *Digital City Studies* Teaching Artist will work with CUP and WCS staff to create an interactive website that requires competency in Photoshop or Illustrator, stop-motion animation, and a basic understanding of web design. Applicants without these skills will still be considered and responsible for shaping and managing the execution of the final product with a designer. The Teaching Artist stipend will be adjusted if an additional designer needs to be hired for this project.

Application Instructions

Please submit a cover letter, a resume, a lesson plan from a past teaching experience with high school students, contact information for two references, and a work sample with up to five images of what you consider to be your strongest visual work (not your students' work). If applying for the full \$5,500 project stipend, please include at least one example of web design.

Please address the following in your cover letter:

- + Where did you hear about this position?
- + Why are you interested in this position?
- + Why are you interested in this topic and collaborating with WCS?
- + What experience do you have working with high school students, and why do you want to work with them?
- + What art, design, and digital media are you comfortable working in?

Please save all materials, combined as a single PDF, as "[YourLastName_YourFirstName]_Digital_ City_Studies_Teaching_Artist" to apply@welcometoCUP.org by Monday, April 23rd at 10am. Include *Digital City Studies* Teaching Artist Application as your email subject line.

Please note that we will NOT review applications that do not provide all requested materials sent in this format.

No phone calls, please.

CUP is an equal opportunity employer and strongly encourages people of color, women, LGBTQ, and disabled candidates to apply.