

# Eldon & Elsie Ward Family YMCA Internship Application Form

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**International Poverty  
Solutions Collaborative**



**PARTNERS  
ACHIEVING  
COMMUNITY  
TRANSFORMATION**



**OFFICE OF  
STUDENT LIFE**

*Return completed application, essays, and resume by February 18, 2012 to  
Adrian Jusdanis -jusdanis@gmail.com*

## **Background Information**

For the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the Near East Side of Columbus was a thriving African-American community. However, economic decline and poverty have plagued the community for the past 50 years, leading to many of its 8000 residents lacking access to safe and affordable housing, employment, and good-quality healthcare and education.

Connecting Ohio State and the Near East Side, the new internship program with the Eldon & Elsie Ward Family YMCA provides the Y, and the community it serves, with much needed support while offering OSU students meaningful work experience and the opportunity to shape the position according to their interests.

## **Partnering Organizations**

The [International Poverty Solutions Collaborative](#) (IPSC) works to identify holistic, culturally relevant solutions for individuals, families, and communities facing poverty and its consequences.

The vision of [Partners Achieving Community Transformation](#) (PACT) is to create a healthy, financially and environmentally sustainable community in the Near East Side.

The [Office of Student Life](#) is dedicated to fostering learning and development, enhancing the educational experience, and preparing students to be contributing members of a diverse global society.

## Contact Information

Name:

Major:

Year:

Email:

Phone:

Do you have access to reliable transportation? (*Car, COTA, bike*)

Do you plan on requesting credit hours for this internship?

When will you be available? *Indicate number of hours available between 8am-6pm.*

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursdays

Friday

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## General Information

**Title:** Intern

**Organization:** Eldon & Elsie Ward Family YMCA

**Address:** 130 Woodland Ave. Columbus, OH 43203

**Dates of Internship:** Spring Quarter 2012 – possibility to continue

**Internship Coordinator:** Adrian Jusdanis

**Eligibility:** Must be undergraduate or graduate student at Ohio State.

**Compensation:** Unpaid. May apply to receive credit hours.

**Hours a week:** 10+

## Responsibilities

- Will report to Greyland Williams, program director at Ward YMCA
- Will work with program director to shape internship according to intern's interests
- Will work minimally in an administrative role in addition to main position
- Will recruit OSU students as volunteers for Ward YMCA events
- Will follow YMCA code of conduct
- Will attend an orientation before beginning and regular trainings throughout internship
- Will maintain regular communication with internship coordinator

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## Positions Available

Currently at the Ward YMCA, there are three internship positions available. *Please rank each category in order of preference:*

\_\_\_ **Internal Programming** – Create, coordinate, and execute internal Ward YMCA projects and programs to keep members active. Intern may organize potlucks, family nights, teen nights, along with other events.

\_\_\_ **External Outreach** – Create, coordinate, and execute external outreach and services with community and other organizations.  
*Examples:* Assisting in homeless shelters, conducting clothing and food drives, tending to the community garden etc...

\_\_\_ **Sports Programming** – Organize, facilitate, and develop sports programming at Ward YMCA such as basketball, volleyball, soccer etc... Intern will also help in recruiting children and teens for programs.

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## Essays

*Candidate must submit two short essays.*

1. In 250 words or less, explain your reasons for applying. Discuss what you expect to be your biggest challenge in the internship, as well as what personal strengths will lead to your success. You may write about the specific position that interests you, or the internship in general.

2. Write a one to two (1-2) page response to **one** of the following questions:

Describe the neighborhood you grew up in. In what ways has it shaped you into the person you have become?

What do you think has been the most significant social or political movement of the past 100 years? Do you personally identify with this cause?

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## References

*Please list two references.*

Full name:

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## Deadlines and Important Information

- Deadline to turn in application, essays, and resume is February 18, 2012
- Application, essays, and resume as well as any questions or concerns should be emailed to Adrian Jusdanis - [jusdanis@gmail.com](mailto:jusdanis@gmail.com)
- After your application is received you may be contacted for an interview