



**Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.  
2011 Conference Staff Application Form  
PEER COUNSELOR  
Sacramento, California  
July 22 - July 30, 2011**

**In order to complete the 2011 Conference Staff Application process, please provide and send application form and written responses to [staff-selection@clylp.org](mailto:staff-selection@clylp.org) or by mail to CLYLP at P.O. Box 161566, Sacramento, CA 95816 on or before Saturday, April 23, 2011. Mailed applications must be postmarked on or before the due date.**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a CLYLP Alumnus? If so, what year? \_\_\_\_\_

My signature below certifies that all the information provided on this form and in my application is accurate and that I understand the time commitment and responsibilities associated with the conference staff position I am applying for.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **PEER COUNSELOR APPLICATION**

The CLYLP is looking for Peer Counselor applicants who are first or second-year students at a college or university and a CLYLP Alumnus - or - a recent alumnus of the CLYLP Summer Conference. All participating staff must attend a mandatory, day-long orientation session scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2011 and stay on site for the duration of the conference (through July 30, 2011). Being a peer counselor will involve your total commitment and dedication during these dates.

All staff applications will be carefully reviewed by the CLYLP Summer Program Staff Selection and Training Committee. Summer Conference Staff will be selected using pre-determined selection criteria approved by the CLYLP Board of Directors. Selected conference staff applicants will be notified by Tuesday, May 31, 2011.

Under the direct supervision of the Facilitator, the Peer Counselor assists in the supervision of ten conference participants. In assisting the Facilitator, the Peer Counselor monitors the whereabouts of all assigned students and expedites travel between conference sessions/activities. The most important role of the peer counselor is that of a positive role model to all student participants.

### **Peer Counselor Responsibilities:**

- Monitor the whereabouts of assigned students throughout the entire week of the conference;
- Assist with and participate in activities designed to get student participants and conference staff acquainted;
- Check the bulletin board in the dorm lobby, at least twice a day, for messages for his/her group;
- Serve as official recorder for his/her group. Take notes for the group whenever necessary and carry the group's supplies and equipment as assigned;
- Assist with the small group sessions;
- Observe and enforce conference rules and guidelines;
- Other duties as assigned by the Facilitator.

### **Effective Peer Counselors:**

1. Maintain effective communication with the Facilitator;
2. Model the behavior expected of student participants;

3. Stimulate discussion in small group sessions by actively participating as an equal to other students;
4. Share his/her experiences whenever appropriate;
5. Generate enthusiasm and contribute to group cohesiveness.

As part of the application, you must submit a written response to the following questions. Each response must not exceed 500 words.

1. Discuss what you have accomplished since you attended the CLYLP. Focus on what leadership roles or projects you might have started because of the influence the CLYLP had on you.
2. Discuss why you feel you would make an excellent Peer Counselor. Focus on what you have to offer and share with participants that might motivate them or encourage them to reach their goals.

**The deadline for all Peer Counselor applications is Saturday, April 23, 2011. Please send your completed application form and written responses to [staff-selection@clylp.org](mailto:staff-selection@clylp.org) or by mail to CLYLP at P.O. Box 161566, Sacramento, CA 95816 on or before Saturday, April 23, 2011. Mailed applications must be postmarked on or before the due date.**