

Service-Learning at Saint Joseph's University



Centro Nueva Creacion

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Transportation	Approximate Travel Time by Car: 30 Minutes
Clearances Required	FBI Fingerprints, Criminal Records, Child Abuse, Minors on Campus

Description: “Opened in 1994, Centro Nueva Creación builds hope in the Fairhill and West Kensington neighborhoods of North Philadelphia by creating opportunities for children and families to transform their community through child-centric, holistic educational and enrichment activities based in the arts, humanities, and technology. Utilizing an asset-based approach that demands the development of local leadership and celebration of the rich Latino culture, Centro Nueva Creación strives to complement, fill in the gaps, and maximize the education and opportunities available to young people in order to help break the cycle of crime and poverty. Centro administers after school and summer camp programs to at-risk, low-income, Latino children in North Philadelphia. All of our programs are bilingual, low or no cost, and open to the public.” - Centro Nueva Creacion

Student Role: Students will work with grades K-5 in the after school program on various classroom activities; games, homework help, tutor, arts, music, science, etc. Some students may work in specialty Centro Nueva Creacion classes in photography and art.

Unique Features:

Centro Nueva Creacion began in 1994 in response to a need that was articulated by the families living within the four-block community that surrounds the agency.

Orientation / Requirements:

SJU and Centro Nueva Creacion policies require 4 clearances to volunteer at this placement: Criminal Background, Child Abuse History, FBI Fingerprinting and Minors on Campus Training Video. More information on how to complete these clearances is available at www.sju.edu/servicelearningstudents and at Placement Awareness Training.