GRADUATE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FELLOW
INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

BACKGROUND INFO

Since 1981, Cause Effective has strengthened the nonprofit sector by helping organizations build engaged communities of supporters. We transform **people, culture and systems** by coaching nonprofits to **learn, carry out and sustain** new approaches to fundraising and board engagement. As a result of our consulting services, our city’s nonprofits are able to work more strategically, effectively, and can expand their reach with **more resources to fuel their growth.** To date, Cause Effective has supported the resource development efforts of more than 5,000 organizations primarily in the New York City area, thus improving the lives of tens of thousands of people.

In the last year, Cause Effective’s consultants provided customized board trainings, intensive coaching and year-long fundraising residencies to over 120 nonprofit organizations.


**Cause Effective is are looking for a dynamic graduate-level student to join our 10-member team to partner with our programs and marketing team in developing Cause Effective’s business strategy, heighten our external presence, develop new markets and audiences and increase our reach and impact within NYC’s nonprofit sphere.**

This position offers the Graduate Business Development Fellow an opportunity to:

▪ Support Cause Effective in making a difference among nonprofits, ensuring that we continue to serve a broad range of communities and missions in NYC

▪ Actively expand Cause Effective’s portfolio of clients and funders, funneling in consulting engagements full of challenges and learning opportunities

▪ Work closely with Cause Effective’s team to analyze and improve our business development strategy, marketing and communications

▪ Grow professionally in your knowledge and practice of organizational development and strategic growth

**Key Responsibilities**

The Graduate Business Development Fellow will work directly with the Program Manager and Marketing team to support Cause Effective’s work with clients, marketing efforts and strategic growth. The direct goal of this support will be to enhance Cause Effective’s markets and audience development. As a member of the Cause Effective team, they will keep programs and marketing work on schedule (mostly in relation to workshops), assure marketing and communications materials are prepared—including owning pieces of the business development scope, and devising and implementing new marketing strategies.
The Graduate Business Development Fellow will work 20 hours per week, with an expectation of two 8-hour days and one 4-hour day in the office during the work week. There may be evenings where participation in trainings are required.

We ask that candidates be available and committed to joining Cause Effective for the academic year, starting early September and ending May 8th, 2020. With good performance, the Graduate Business Development Fellow may have the opportunity to continue their position through the summer as a paid position.

**DESIRED SKILLS**

We are seeking a Graduate Business Development Fellow with the following skills:

- Program/Project Management
- Event Coordination and Management
- Outstanding Written & Verbal Communication
- Well organized with attention to detail
- Social Media & Marketing
- Desire to learn and be mentored in Cause Effective’s nonprofit management business model.

**PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

- Intelligent and persuasive; a curious problem solver who can both conceptualize and implement, and can initiate ideas and projects, not just respond to direction
- Self-starter
- An energetic, focused hard worker who is effective in a fast paced, pressured environment
- A collaborator with a sense of humor who likes to share information and ideas with colleagues

Cause Effective strives to reflect the diverse community we serve. Candidates who contribute to this diversity are strongly encouraged to apply. Cause Effective is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

Cause Effective is committed to ensuring that the graduate students who work with us through our internship program have a comprehensive experience. The Graduate Fellowship involves benefits that will enhance academic and career growth such as: mentoring in business development and nonprofit management by senior consultants and the Executive Director, apprenticeship in impactful marketing and communications, and assisting in the deepening and management of relationships with nonprofit leaders, foundation and corporate funders and business professionals.

As part of our commitment to furthering equity and inclusivity in nonprofit work, we are offering a $5,000 stipend for the academic year internship, and we encourage fellows to seek external funding to supplement their stipend. We are also able to support in the acquiring of professional experience/academic credit for graduate degree programs.

**CONTACT**

Please submit resume, cover letter and writing sample to Cause Effective’s Program Manager, Janay Daniel, at janay@causeeffective.org, with Graduate Business Development Fellow in the subject line. Interviews will be scheduled on a rolling basis.