

Alumni-in-Residence (AIR) Fellowship Program

(2021/22 Academic Year)

Introduction

The AIR Fellowship Program benefits both alumni and UWC-USA by allowing alumni to work on school programs/initiatives related to their field of study, interests, and/or (future) passions. The personal contact and day-to-day involvement of the fellow with our community will benefit our students by helping prepare them to become active and engaged alumni.

Purpose

Aligning with the <u>UWC Strategy: 2018 and Beyond</u>, this initiative solidifies our institutional commitment to the alumni community by allowing fellows to build upon their generational commitment and contribute their Time, Talent, and Treasure.

Our Commitment

The AIR Fellowship Program is concrete evidence of the school's commitment to further alumni engagement on campus with the entire school community.

Call for Applicants

The Alumni Office at UWC-USA invites UWC alumni who have graduated from UWC-USA <u>before</u> 2014 to apply for our Alumni-in-Residence Fellowship Program <u>for August 2021 to May 2022</u> or for the fall or spring semester of 2021-22. This in-residence program brings alumni from a variety of fields to our campus in Montezuma where the fellow will engage in the day-to-day student life and share from his/her area of expertise while supporting the residential and administrative departments.

As part of the fellowship program, the alumnus/na will be expected to reside at UWC-USA. Reporting to the Alumni Engagement Officer, the fellow will offer a seminar to our current students and staff about a topic of the fellow's choice and document the experience in a blog. In addition, the fellow will propose a plan with support from the Alumni Engagement Officer for how their time on campus will contribute to student life or will support one or more of the components of the UWC-USA strategic plan, which may include, but is not limited to:

- Support academic instruction in one's field of study, e.g., guest teaching a specific class or unit
- Support the recruitment process for U.S. Davis Scholars and
- Serve as a guest reader on the U.S National Committee and/or Davis Finalist Weekend
- Support the Residential Staff Team as needed i.e dorm-time activities
- Participate and support the First-Year CEC Retreat and/or
- Support the Post-UWC Second-Year Retreat
- Sponsor an Experiential Education activity
- Support Orientation activities at the beginning of the school year
- Co-lead either a Southwest Studies or Project Week trip
- Co-sponsor one Cultural Show
- Help coordinate the Annual Conference

Applications are invited on a rolling basis, starting immediately. Materials should include:

- A detailed CV/resume
- A statement of interest (maximum two pages) that elaborates on:
 - Preference will be given for alumni whose interests and time on the campus will support one or more of the components of the <u>UWC-USA strategic plan</u>
 - the topic/themes for the proposed seminar that the applicant could offer while at the school
 - the existing academic/co-curricular programs at UWC-USA with which the applicant would like to engage

- the 3-5 activities in which the applicant would like to participate
- the contact information for three references

Fellows will be provided with a stipend of \$2,500 for the year*, up to \$500 for travel, and accommodation, food, and transportation to/from campus.

*While we welcome applicants from within and outside the United States and will support the fellow with all the necessary paperwork for a B-1 visa, international applicants will have to bear the costs for the visa process. Furthermore, while all living and transportation costs will be offered to international fellows, we are unable to offer a stipend to non-US-resident/citizen fellows due to B-1 visa regulations—a travel stipend can be negotiated instead. <u>Please note that the visa process can often take two to three months</u>. Please send application materials and inquiries to <u>alumni@uwc-usa.org</u>.