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YOUTH ENGAGEMENT **CONSULTATIONS**



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AGENCY

As a youth engagement agency Unlearning YOUTh provides tiers of consulting and training for private and public sector entities integrating a youth-centered focus within their community, organization, workplace or event.

Youth's insight, lived experiences and intellect is pivotal to a sustainable future. Preparing young people through valuable skills development, impactful programming and civic engagement strategies establish a firm foundation to build their lives upon.

Growing its voice in positive youth development Unlearning YOUTh partners with youth-prioritizing companies and organizations to develop youth-engaging opportunities including conferences, curriculum, trainings, community service initiatives, youth councils/commissions, skills training and collaborative programming.



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With unique insight for engaging youth Dionte' understands what it takes to position young people for sustainable success in the workplace, local and global community service and interactive experiences.

Dionte' understands that youth deserve a seat at tables that affect their well-being. As a youth-advocate his work is dedicated to creating pipelines in various industries that engage youth towards sustainable solutions.

As a youth engagement consultant Dionte' merges his experiences with youth in conflict resolution conversations, interactive activities for children with autism, employment opportunities and advocacy training to provide services that enrich the quality of youth and youth-advocates holistically.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Creating and sustaining engagement either virtually, in-person or hybrid unveils new challenges for connecting.

Adjusting to a new norm can create both obstacles and opportunities in connecting.

We provide tips and strategies on how to authentically gain and retain student's interests and participation.



YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

As workplace experiences are ever-evolving internships and professional experiences we sharpen high school and college students skill sets to be effective within workplaces.

We provide interview preparation to tips to maximizing an internship experience we provide step-by-step skill development opportunities for youth and young adults.



YOUTH EVENTS

From monthly meetings and community service projects to national conferences and fundraising events we support youth-centered focuses that display youth's competencies, amplify their lived experiences and echo youth-centered issues.

Youth can be engaged in events through student's involvement through programming, welcoming innovative ideas, volunteering and contributing and feedback during the debriefing phase.



CONSULTING SERVICES

Both individual and group consulting sessions facilitate direct dialogue diagnosing student engagement at-a-scope with relevant resources and experienced recommendations.

CONSULTATIONS

Clients will receive weekly 90 minute consultations along with *follow-up feedback forms* that summarize the consultation, identify focuses for the upcoming week and recommendations to employ.

TIER 1
6-8 WEEKS

TIER 2
3 MONTHS

TIER 3
6 MONTHS

CONSULTING SERVICES

Along with 90 minute weekly consultations and follow-up feedback forms retaining services provide access to internal resources and services that further current projects. Services are best recommended for projects and programs to be developed in phases.

SHORT-TERM SERVICES
6-8 WEEKS

QUARTERLY SERVICES
3 MONTHS

HALF-YEAR SERVICES
6 MONTHS

EXPERIENCE

CONFERENCE ADVANCEMENT COORDINATOR

South By Southwest (SXSW)
2022-Present



- Programming for conference keynotes & sessions for SXSW EDU
- Manage technical programs and databases
- Event management and production

YOUTH PROGRAMMING COORDINATOR

City of Austin
2016-2021



- Citywide community & civic engagement programming for youth/young adults
- In-person and virtual event development
- Advocacy and employment skills training

RESTORATIVE PRACTITIONER

Akins High School
2016-2021



- Develop behavioral support plans for students returning to class/campus
- District wide restorative practices training for students, faculty & staff
- Evaluating strategies that reduce suspension & improve student's attendance

CAMP BUNK LEADER

Ramapo for Children | Rhinebeck, NY
Summer 2015



- Serve as a leader for camp counselors and engaging campers with autism and those in need of behavioral and emotional support through motor-skill building activities.

CITY HOST

Center for Student Missions | Chicago, IL
Summer 2014



- Hosting youth groups for a week long exploring urban city issues including homelessness, gentrification and inequities through community service, policy review and cultural immersive experiences.



Akins High school students trained in restorative practices lead a circle conversation with elementary student.

Austin Youth Council elected members commence monthly meeting with community concerns from peers



Scholars of Huston-Tillotson University volunteer and enjoy an evening of elegance at the United Negro College Fund "A Mind Is..." fundraising gala in Houston, TX

High school students of color gather in small circles to have candid conversations with Black law enforcement officers





Concluding a day in the sun composting and recycling for Austin Youth Council's monthly community service project

High school seniors preparing for spring semester internship interviews with local city departments



Youth delegates from Austin Youth Council in Washington, D.C. for the Congressional Cities Conference in Washington, D.C.

Visiting a museum while students travel around Los Angeles, CA after a day of networking with peers from across the country



EXPERIENCED TOPICS



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

- CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
- LOCAL & NATIONAL ADVOCACY
- YOUTH LEADERSHIP & RESPONSIBILITY
- COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES
- RESTORATIVE CONVERSATIONS/PRACTICES

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

- VALUABLE SKILLS ENHANCEMENT
- INTERVIEW PROCESS PREPARATION & SUPPORT
- INTERNSHIP/EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT
- SUPERVISOR SUPPORT

YOUTH EVENTS

- COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVES
- STRATEGIC FUNDRAISING
- EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL
- INTERNSHIP/EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMMING

STEPS TO INQUIRE

1 SCHEDULE A FREE CONSULTATION

Through this consultation we discuss the student engagement focus and gain insight on what's needed.

2 RECEIVE FEEDBACK

A summary of the consultation will be provided outlining best services to support the identified needs.

3 SELECT A SERVICE

Prospective clients have 10 business days to review and select best options.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:



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