United States Project (USP) Program Info

USP's are unique experiences that allow you to step out of your context and be discipled toward a heart for God and a heart for others alongside congregations and organizations across the United States that have made a practice of displaying the heart of Jesus to their community by loving their neighbor. The goal is that you would grow in your perspective of and compassion for vulnerable populations and return to your local context equipped to engage your community with the same heart.

QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal participant will be a follower of Christ who has a desire to grow in their faith. Applicants will have a desire to step out of their comfort zone and serve in urban ministry contexts. Students must currently be enrolled at CBU and be in good standing with the university throughout the application, interview, selection, and training processes.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process will consist of two phases.

Phase 1 – Acceptance into the USP Program

This phase consists of completing the application and interview. An email will be sent on Friday, November 1, informing you if you have been invited to participate in USP.

Phase 2 - Commitment & Team Preferences

This phase will consist of you reviewing and signing a USP commitment form, answering follow up questions and providing us with your team preference. Students will have 1 week to complete this phase so that we can begin team placement.

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS & DATES

- Team Reveal Mon. Dec. 2 7pm-9pm
- **Team Training** USP teams will train on Wednesday nights in the Spring Semester. Training will take place from 6pm-9pm.

NOTE: Teams will not train on March 12 (Spring Break).

Training Components Description

Team Reveal: Students find out where they will serve next summer and get acquainted with their leader and teammates

SL Night: Casting vision for God's heart for the nations and for love for neighbor

USP Training: Teaching and discussion on service to others and location specific training

Team Time: Individual Teams will meet to practice tools such as personal testimonies and evangelism methods, build team unity and learn about the destination and demographic they will be serving

Trip Costs: Los Angeles - \$600; Las Vegas - \$1000; Boston - \$1000