Work Study Job Description

**Job Title:** Jumpstart Corps Member  
**Department:** Jumpstart at the University of Washington  
**Location:** Mary Gates Hall, Suite 171  
**Pay Rate:** 16 - 16 / hour  
**Employment Period:** Academic year  
**Hours Per Week:** Up to 19 hours per week  
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**NATURE OF ORGANIZATION**
Jumpstart recruits and trains college students to work with preschool children to support them in developing their oral language and social/emotional skills and preparing for success in kindergarten and beyond. In addition to earning work study dollars, students are able to receive the benefits of working alongside early childhood education experts in a local Seattle preschool and become part of a tight-knit UW student community.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**
• Participate in Jumpstart sessions with a team of UW students and children in a classroom, for four hours per week (Mon & Wed or Tues & Thurs 8:30 – 10:30 or 2:30 – 4:30 or 3:00 – 5:00) • Read to children and lead hands-on activities that foster children’s oral language and social/emotional skills • Participate in team planning meetings, which include planning, reflection, 2 - 3 hrs/wk • Serve an additional 2-6 hours each week in a preschool classroom during the regular school day • Communicate with child’s family and share strategies for helping the child develop language and literacy skills • Receive pre-service training, Wednesday evening trainings and attend periodic weekend training

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**
• Experience working with young children, while a plus, is NOT a requirement; but a desire and openness to learn more about effective early childhood practices is a must • Ability to commit to working in a classroom for the academic year, during the same session time (Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs 8:30 - 10:30 or 2:30 - 4:30). • Ability to problem-solve and think strategically • Ability to build relationships and work with children, families and preschool teachers at a local preschool • Ability and openness to work with people from diverse ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic backgrounds • Willingness to learn about curriculum and activities for young children • Ability to work on a team

**EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS**
The invaluable opportunity to form connections with local preschool children, families, and staff and to make an
impact on a child's potential for success in kindergarten and beyond. • Training in the field of early childhood including strategies on how to effectively work with and support 3 - 5 year olds. • Training in social justice issues, particularly those affecting educational inequities in Seattle and beyond • Skills in learning how to effectively work in a group and develop one's own leadership potential. • Opportunities to earn academic credit • Earn a $1,289 educational award upon completing 300 hours of service (for eligible students)

**HOW TO APPLY**

1. Attend an Information Session starting the first week of classes (schedule will be listed on our website - http://www.washington.edu/jumpstart/join-jumpstart-in-3-simple-steps/ 2. Fill out an application (also on our website). 3. Attend a Group Interview (you will be able to sign up for one of these at an Info Session).