

**The Blum Initiative's *Student Action Council for the Eradication of Poverty & Inequality* (SACEPI)
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
DEADLINE: May 31st, 2018**

OVERVIEW: The *Student Action Council for the Eradication of Poverty & Inequality* (SACEPI) is a network of student representatives from across the UC system committed to addressing and bringing awareness to poverty and related inequalities, both globally and locally. Each campus has two SACEPI representatives – one undergraduate and one graduate student – and, at UCR, SACEPI representatives lead the student arm of the Blum Initiative on Global & Regional Poverty. Being a part of SACEPI provides the unique opportunity to meet with highly engaged students from each UC campus and work toward solutions for poverty and inequality, while catalyzing action across the UC system.

Students with an interest in poverty and inequality, service, leadership, and cross-campus collaborations are encouraged to apply to be a SACEPI representative for the 2018/19 Academic Year.

DESCRIPTION: SACEPI representatives commit to an average of 5 hours of responsibilities per month; however, there is the opportunity for expanded involvement with the Blum Initiative via SACEPI for particularly motivated students. SACEPI representatives serve from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, but the position's activities will begin in-full September 2018.

SACEPI representatives are minimally expected to:

- Participate in monthly web-conferences (~1 hour each) with the SACEPI representatives from the other 9 UC campuses
- Lead (i.e. prepare an agenda, set the topic of discussion, determine action items, etc.) one of the monthly web-conferences
- Write at least one article (e.g. op-ed, research article, human interest piece, etc.) on a poverty-related topic of your choosing to be included on SACEPI's Medium account and Blum-UCR's website
- Determine the focus of and organize SACEPI's annual Global Poverty Action Day (typically mid-Spring)
- Attend a half-day, regional convening of SACEPI representatives from Southern California UC campuses
- Maintain relationships with the SACEPI representatives from other campuses, spread information about Blum-UCR's activities through the SACEPI network, report back on the other Blum centers' activities
- Carry out other, minor SACEPI responsibilities as needed

Enterprising SACEPI representatives with an interest in expanding their role may also have the opportunity to:

- Participate in the planning of Blum-UCR's annual programming, including: providing input as to potential speakers, writing poverty-related pieces to be showcased on Blum-UCR's website (blum.ucr.edu), generate content for Blum-UCR's social media sites, etc.
- Represent Blum-UCR's student arm and augment our presence on-campus/in the community through the creation of a student organization
- Attend Blum-UCR events (e.g. poverty speaker series, conferences, etc.)
- Participate in Blum-UCR's signature research project
- Identify areas of strategic growth for Blum-UCR, guided by a student perspective

While this is an unpaid position, participation in SACEPI does link representatives with potential Blum-UCR funding sources for poverty-related service and research.

HOW TO APPLY: All students with an interest in poverty and inequality, irrespective of major, are encouraged to apply. Applicants must:

- (a) Submit a brief (250 word max) expression of intent, highlighting their interest in poverty and inequality and any experience relevant to the position
- (b) Submit an unofficial copy of their transcripts to confirm they are in good academic standing with the University
- (c) Indicate their major, year in their program, and whether they are applying to the undergraduate or graduate SACEPI position in the body of their email

Applications must be submitted to Justine Ross (jross005@ucr.edu) via email no later than Thursday, May 31st, 2018 at midnight.

Decisions will be made and notifications sent by June 8th, 2018. If you have any questions regarding this opportunity or the application process, please email Justine Ross.