

## CERRU Social Organizing Fellowship

(Formerly Social Change Fellowship)

**2017-2018**

*"We who believe in freedom cannot rest" — Ella Baker*

We are currently facing the most polarizing time in recent US history. Many communities are divided along social lines on important issues. Our goal is to support students trying to create positive social change in their communities on those vital issues. Students will submit proposals to work collaboratively to create change in their campus or community. Projects can raise awareness, combat a problem, offer services, provide education and more.

### TO APPLY:

Students in groups of 3-4 will submit project proposals and CERRU will choose 3 selected fellow groups. Groups must have an idea that relates to timely issues on campus or in your wider community. **Groups must have 3-4 members submitting a joint completed application.**

**FORMAT:** Student Fellows will be provided with strategic research and project design to guide and help students to research their social change projects and think about specific needs and budgets. Students will design and implement their projects over the course of the fall and spring semesters. Fellow groups will be provided with ongoing mentorship to complete the program and project funds in the amount of \$500.

### How CERRU helps you:

- Workshops on designing and tailoring a project on an issue about which you are passionate
- Financial support for your project
- Guidance through monthly meetings to check in on your progress and help with any concerns
- Provide space and resources to present your project to the QC community
- Provide references and recommendations for employment, scholarships or internships

**Please note that CERRU does not advocate specific causes, but supports increased understanding about all social issues.**

## CERRU Social Organizing Fellowship Application

**All applicants within a group must submit a completed application, however only 1 person must submit a project proposal. To apply, complete and submit this application via e-mail to Aysa Gray at [agray@cerrru.org](mailto:agray@cerrru.org) by May 5th by 11:59pm. Interviews will be the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Name:**

**Group Members:**

**Mailing Address:**

**PGP (preferred gender pronoun) He /she /ze / they / other:**

**Academic year (circle one): Freshman / Sophomore / Junior / Senior / other**

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Major(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Minors:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What you wish you could study:**

**Clubs you're involved in (please note if you are on the board of the club):**

**Expected date of graduation:**

**Life/Career goals:**

**What's the last book you read?**

**What is a social concern you're passionate about?**

**Short Answer:**

- 1. Describe a time in your life when you were the direct cause of a positive change (personal, in a relationship, in school, in the community, at work etc.) How did you do it? Who did you work with? What were some challenges? Why do you think you succeeded?**

## Project Proposal

- A) What is the problem you want to address?**
- B) What is your connection to the problem you want to address?**
- C) How do you want to address the problem?**
- D) What are your goals of your project?**
- D) How will you know you are successful?**