

# Graduate Student Fieldwork Intern Spring 2022

# About the Organization

Edible Schoolyard NYC's (ESYNYC) mission is to support edible education for every child in New York City. We partner with New York City public schools to cultivate healthy students and communities through hands-on cooking and gardening education, transforming children's relationship with food. Inspired by the philosophy and model of Edible Schoolyard Berkeley and its founder, acclaimed restaurateur and food activist Alice Waters, Edible Schoolyard NYC was founded in 2010 to serve the specific needs of students in historically underserved public schools. If you are passionate about food and making a difference, this is the place for you. While edible education is our core focus, we connect to the food world in many different ways. We work with top chefs and restaurants on partnerships which support our work, and collaborate with diverse brands to increase awareness of our mission. Many of our staff are passionate foodies and cooks, and we enjoy swapping recipes and food whenever possible. We are guided by six core values: 1. Passion and dedication 2. Community 3. Learning and discovery 4 Wellness 5. Collaboration 6. Equity.

#### Overview

- ESNYC is looking for a masters of public health, nutrition, or education student to serve as a part-time evaluation fieldwork intern for the spring terms to help implement, analyse data from, and draft a report on a new socioemotional learning (SEL) observation tool evaluation project.
- Only students seeking fieldwork credit are accepted.
- 25% of the role can be done remotely, the rest takes place at our DUMBO office and school sites.
- Students wishing to continue working on the project in the summer as a part of their capstone project or similar are welcome.

### Responsibilities

### Spring

- Assist with digital observation tool preparation on Kindle Fire Tablets at our DUMBO office. This requires a couple days in the office.
- Analyse mixed-methods data from the Edible Schoolyard New Orleans (NOLA) pilot of the tool from 2020. This can be done remotely.
- Potentially, assist with administration of the tool at our sites in South and Central

Bronx, East Harlem, and Central and Gravesend Brooklyn during the school day between March and June.

• Upload and clean data after administration between March and June.

Summer (If available for continued field work hours or capstone project, or similar)

• Assist with data analysis and reporting, comparing ESYNYC and NOLA results. This can be done remotely.

The Fieldwork Intern reports to the Senior Evaluation Manager, who acts as internship preceptor. The Senior Evaluation Manager will provide the logistical and instructive support necessary to carry out the activities described above and develop the Fieldwork Intern's skills. The exact projects and responsibilities may shift before and during the internship, and will be mutually agreed on between the Senior Evaluation Manager and the Intern.

# Qualifications

The ideal candidate will have proven research experience and demonstrated interest in our mission.

This is the right internship for you if you:

- Are looking to fulfill your fieldwork requirement this Spring and/or Summer.
- Have strong spreadsheet skills: you can easily write and edit formulas, copy, sort, filter, make graphs, and pivot tables on Google sheets and Excel.
- Have completed or are currently enrolled in graduate level statistics and/or research/evaluation classes
- Are ready to problem solve with little supervision
- Are known for your excellent attention to detail
- Are comfortable navigating public transit across the city while keeping to strict time boundaries

The following qualifications are helpful but not required:

- You are passionate about food justice and know your stuff when it comes to gardens and cooking education, nutrition, or public health.
- You can speak Spanish fluently or proficiently.
- You have experience administering surveys and/or entering data.
- You have experience working with school aged-children.
- You know your way around SPSS data analysis software.
- You have experience working with qualitative data and software to analyze it.
- You can make custom charts and graphs beyond automatically generated ones.

### **Compensation and Hours**

- This is an unpaid position for fieldwork credit.
- The Fieldwork Intern is invited to participate in our free Professional Development workshop offerings as a part of their hours.
- The schedule for administering the SEL Observational tool will be set by the

Director of Education and the Senior Evaluation Manager.

- Data analysis work can take place remotely (using a password protected internet connection), and the hours for this work are flexible.
- 10-20 hours/week. The majority of the schedule and hours can be flexible to accommodate fieldwork requirements, other work, and vacation.

**COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement:** ESYNYC requires all incoming interns to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Requests for religious or medical exemption will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Edible Schoolyard NYC is committed to a diverse workplace. People of color, racial and ethnic minorities, women, people with disabilities, veterans, and LGBTQ+ candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. Edible Schoolyard NYC is an equal opportunity employer committed to a policy of equal treatment and opportunity in every aspect of its recruitment and hiring process without regard to age, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, religion, disability, veteran status, gender and/or gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, unemployment status, or any other legally protected basis. Edible Schoolyard NYC provides reasonable accommodation to applicants and employees as required by law. Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodation at any point in the employment process.

# To Apply

Send a resume and cover sheet that includes your availability and fieldwork requirements to Jessie Tartanian, Senior Evaluation Manager, at <u>it@esynyc.org</u> by January 15, 2022.