



## **DEVELOPMENT INTERN POSITION**

**Giordano Dance Chicago, now in its 59<sup>th</sup> season, seeks a vibrant, energetic and creative college intern with a passion for the performing arts and a desire to work within a fast paced, high-energy environment.**

### **INSTITUTIONAL**

Giordano Dance Chicago illuminates beauty and invigorates the world with deep connections. Founded in 1963, Giordano Dance Chicago is one of the longest-running jazz dance companies in the world, and occupies a singular position within the local, national and international dance communities. Guided by foundational commitments to equity and access, we embrace Four Core Values of Legacy, Diversity & Inclusion, Community and Innovation.

**Stated simply, Giordano Dance Chicago offers to all the universal and life-affirming experience of witnessing dance that is powerful, passionate, elegant, and celebratory.**

### **POSITION TITLE**

College Credit Development Intern

### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

This college credit position provides students with an opportunity to learn about and support the fundraising and development efforts of a preeminent 501(c)(3) nonprofit performing arts organization. To meet the student's educational needs, they receive mentorship and feedback from the entire office team, and are directly supervised in specific projects, determined by current organizational needs, that span their time with the company. Daily tasks and skill building will center on introductory fundraising work that will include participating in annual appeal efforts, research projects, donor stewardship, event planning and logistics, working at events to promote merchandise and greet patrons and donors, and assisting the Artistic and Executive Directors on special projects. The college credit Office Internship is unpaid.

### **POSITION QUALIFICATIONS - EDUCATION**

The ideal candidate is a college student majoring in Communications, the Performing or Fine Arts, Arts Administration, Public Relations, Business, Public or Non-Profit Administration, or any related field, with a strong desire to learn about the inner workings of nonprofit, performing arts organization. The unique skills of each intern are incorporated into the expectations and tasks for their time with the Company. Internship credit must be received from applicant's college or university to apply for this position.

### **POSITION QUALIFICATIONS - EXPERIENCE**

The ideal candidate is detail oriented, flexible and thrives in a dynamic office environment. Solid computer skills including Word, PowerPoint, Outlook and Excel are required and familiarity with Salesforce is preferred although other CRM knowledge is helpful. Multitasking with an ability to shift focus and apply creative problem solving skills are essential. Candidate should also possess excellent verbal and written communication skills and be able to represent Giordano Dance Chicago professionally both inside and outside of the office. Candidates should have at least rudimentary knowledge of fundraising and philanthropy. Students will receive individualized guidance to build upon these same skills and new ones.

### **KEY COMPETENCIES and CHARACTERISTICS**

Strong computer experience (Microsoft suite); solid organization skills and attention to detail; customer service; creative thinker with a sense of adventure and humor; flexible, adaptable, and willing to learn.

# GIORDANO DANCE CHICAGO ARTS ADMINISTRATION INTERN POSITION

## Position Description, Continued

### **TIME FRAME**

A minimum of one full semester and/or summer is required with a flexible range of 12-15 hours worked per week during the school year, and hours to be discussed for summer positions.

**To apply, please email your resume, cover letter, and writing sample to: [internships@giordanodance.org](mailto:internships@giordanodance.org)  
As this is an ongoing program, there is no submission deadline.**

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