



Dear potential counselor,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Learn and Serve (L&S) counselor. Every summer, youth converge on SIFAT's 175-acre campus to explore other cultures and discover what living a Christian life means.

Drawing from SIFAT's 29 years of international mission experience, L&S empowers the youth of America to be servants of humanity and examples of Christ's love to everyone. L&S is a program unlike any other. Our mission is to educate the youth of America about the world in which they live and about how Christ commanded us to live in this world... as servants! Each week, youth are equipped with knowledge and tools to change the world in whatever way God calls them.

That's where you come in! We are looking for enthusiastic, Spirit-filled people who are ready to impact the youth of America for God. As a summer counselor, you will be challenged with the opportunity to teach, serve and explore the world of missions, while strengthening your relationship with God and growing in your walk as a servant of Christ!

We can't wait to hear from you! Please contact us if you have any questions about the L&S experience. Our staff is looking forward to you being a part of our team this summer!

In His Service,

Nate Paulk
Campus Director

www.sifat.org/learnandserve

About L&S:

Because young people of this country help reach part of that mission, and to support that, SIFAT has a Learn and Serve (L&S) program in the summer that introduces youth to the world of missions. During their stay at SIFAT, they engage in local mission projects, participate in hands-on learning activities (building a water pump, making bricks and other appropriate technologies) and experience Third World living in our Global Village. This experience touches participants' lives as they realize how they have been blessed and what it takes to become a servant for God.



Our counselors help prepare these young people for a life of service. There is a wide range of opportunities for anyone interested, with varying degrees of experience with youth, missions, and third world living.

SIFAT offers L&S counselors a weekly salary of \$175 with possible incentives based on counselor references and years on staff.

About SIFAT:



Servants in Faith and Technology (SIFAT) is an international Christian nonprofit organization that merges faith and technology for the purpose of enabling the poor to develop holistically in Jesus Christ. Since its foundation in 1979, SIFAT has trained community leaders from 80 countries around the globe.

SIFAT's mission is directed toward two groups: 1) the poor, especially in the third world, to train leaders in practical self-help skills and community development principles to meet basic human needs in Christ's name; and 2) "Mid-pew" America, to raise awareness about missions and global issues and to provide opportunities to be involved personally in making a difference for Christ.

If after prayerful consideration you are interested in being a part of this ministry this summer, please fill out the attached application and return to:

Learn and Serve
2944 County Road 113
Lineville, AL 36266

Or if you have any questions, please call:
256-396-2015 or e-mail learnandserve@sifat.org

2009 Learn and Serve Summer Dates: May 31-July 31
Counselors will report May 24 and leave August 9

Counselor Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Age/DOB: _____

Year Graduated H.S.: _____

Preferred denomination: _____

Home church: _____

Address: _____

Church phone: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Do you have health insurance? _____

What company? _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Last two places of employment:

1) Business _____

Address _____

Supervisor _____

Phone _____

Dates _____

2) Business _____

Address _____

Supervisor _____

Phone _____

Dates _____

CHARACTER REFERENCES

Three references:

1) Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship to you _____

2) Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship to you _____

3) Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship to you _____

These questions are designed to help us get to know you better. Please be prayerful and honest in your answers. If more space is needed, feel free to attach additional pages.

- 1) How did you hear about SIFAT?

- 2) Why are you interested in working for SIFAT?

- 3) Can you foresee any reason why you would not be able to complete the entire summer on staff?

- 4) Do you have current certification in CPR/First Aid?

- 5) List any skills you have that would be beneficial to a summer camp environment. (construction, camping, gardening, life guard, etc.)

- 6) What, if any, musical instruments do you play?

- 7) What languages (if any) do you speak in addition to English?

- 8) What is "missions?"

- 9) Describe any experience you have had with service and missions.

- 10) What are your experiences with culturally diverse environments?

- 11) List any ministries in which you are currently involved.

- 12) What is your philosophy on investing in international missions when there is so much need in America?

- 13) What global issue concerns you most? Have you done anything about it?

- 14) Describe a time when you had to initiate and lead a project.

- 15) When is the last time you helped someone? Explain what you did?

- 16) How do you approach sharing your faith, particularly with children and youth?

17) Define what success is to you.

18) What are you most passionate about?

19) What role do you see yourself as on a team?

20) What do you do with your time when you have “down-time” at work/school/home?

21) When do you feel closest to God?

22) What is something that you feel is keeping you from a deeper relationship with God?

The following activities should be ranked according to how well you enjoy doing the activity listed, with 1 being *“the most liked”* and 2 being *“somewhat enjoyable”* and 3 being *“the least liked”*.

SPIRITUAL

- _____ Small cell groups
- _____ Leading prayer
- _____ Serving others
- _____ Leading devotions
- _____ Praise and worship

TEACHING

- _____ Drama/Skits
- _____ Working with children
- _____ Working with youth
- _____ Skills/ trades
- _____ Leading games/activities

OUTDOOR

- _____ Construction
- _____ Gardening
- _____ Building campfires
- _____ Sleeping outdoors
- _____ Working with animals