

**INTERNSHIP TITLE:** Literacy Steward

**LOCATION:** Lawrence Public Library, in Lawrence, MA.

**INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION:** Raising A Reader Massachusetts aims to give every child an equal opportunity for achievement by engaging low-income parents in a routine of daily book sharing from birth to age five, fostering healthy brain development, parent-child bonding, and the early literacy skills essential for school success. Raising A Reader MA partners with early care and education providers in 13 communities to serve nearly 10,000 families in Massachusetts.

The position will be approximately 10 hours per week, although hours are flexible.

RAR MA is seeking a highly motivated self-starter who is independent, outgoing and creative to serve as our Literacy Steward Intern. This person will join our small staff of personable, fast-paced, independent individuals, and will be responsible for assisting with office work, preparing documents for the fall, assisting with summer programs, such as storytimes, and working on several creative projects.

## **Responsibilities include:**

- Updating various online data management resources including Salesforce and Sugarsync
- Researching and collecting data for various initiatives
- Documenting work for future interns
- Assisting with storytimes for groups of children
- Developing outreach materials and assisting with outreach

## **Skills and Qualifications:**

- Ability to work independently
- Passionate about literacy & early childhood education
- Organized, creative and responsible
- Proficiency in Spanish desired. Other languages welcomed.
- Comfortable with Microsoft Office Software
- Personal transportation preferred
- Background check required

## Although this internship is unpaid, many other benefits can be gained through this position, including:

- Work and transferrable skills
- Experience a prospective career path in nonprofit/education
- Network with professionals in the nonprofit field/Lawrence community for references and job opportunities
- Apply methods and theories learned in class with practical experience in the workforce
- Opportunity to gain academic credit
- Focus on professional development and resume/interview building skills

Please send your resume to Rebecca Schmaeling, <a href="rebecca@raisingareaderma.org">rebecca@raisingareaderma.org</a>. Please include a note stating your days and hours of availability.