



## **Evaluation Intern/ Research Assistant Edible Schoolyard NYC Spring 2017**

### **About the Organization**

Edible Schoolyard NYC partners with public schools to transform the hearts, minds, and eating habits of young New Yorkers through a seed-to-table education. Edible Schoolyard NYC's goal is to change attitudes, preferences, and behaviors around healthy eating, and to educate and empower children to make healthy food choices for themselves, their communities, and the environment.

In 1995, nationally acclaimed restaurateur and food activist Alice Waters created the first Edible Schoolyard in Berkeley, California, pioneering the notion that the best place to teach children the connection between food, health, and the environment is in our schools. Fifteen years later, ESYNYC was founded as a separate 501(c)3 – inspired by the philosophy and model of Edible Schoolyard Berkeley, but designed to serve the specific and specialized needs of students in historically underserved New York City public schools.

### **Overview**

This can be either unpaid internship for fieldwork credit for the spring and/ or summer terms OR a temporary part-time research assistant position from April-July 2017. If hired as a temp research assistant, you will be paid \$16/hr for between 30 and 80 hours of work. We will provide metrocard reimbursement for either arrangement.

Edible Schoolyard NYC is looking for a graduate student or graduate to serve as an evaluation intern for the spring and/or summer or part-time temp. research assistant to help with an evaluation project.

The role entails administering surveys to 3rd, 5th, and 8th grade students in our 7 schools in Harlem, the Bronx and Brooklyn, and then entering and cleaning this and other survey data.

Candidates with SPSS analysis ability are invited to stay on through the summer for data analysis work.



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For folks interested in an internship for fieldwork credit only: Edible Schoolyard NYC survey and other outcomes tracking data can be used for analysis in master's projects.

You may choose to fill some of your hours by assisting with school garden and kitchen programming that can be tailored to the intern's particular interest. We have 6 campuses (1 in Harlem, 3 in BK, 2 in the BX), in which you can participate in kitchen and garden lessons, cafeteria taste tests, farm stands, professional development workshops, gardening, and other projects.

### **Responsibilities**

- Collate paper surveys for administration
- Administer surveys to 3,5,8th graders
- Enter survey data into excel, google sheets
- Clean data with guidance from Evaluation Manager
- Possible data analysis using Excel and SPSS for those with analytical experience
- Possible report writing for those with analytical experience.

### **Qualifications**

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

Core qualifications include:

- Graduate student or graduate
- Strong spreadsheet skills
- Facility with Excel and google sheets
- Must have completed graduate level statistics, research/evaluation classes
- Excellent attention to detail
- On time for all appointments
- Able to problem solve with little supervision
- Willingness to travel between the Bronx, Harlem, Central and South Brooklyn

Secondary qualifications include:

- Knowledge of food justice, school gardens, nutrition, or related field
- Spanish language fluency or proficiency
- Experience administering surveys, entering data
- Experience working with school aged-children



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- Data analysis experience, especially using SPSS
- Flexible schedule
- DOE fingerprinting complete

### **Hours**

- 8+ hour per week
- Setup and data entry will take place in Edible Schoolyard NYC's DUMBO office between April 7th and the administration days and the end of July.
- April 7th is a mandatory orientation day. X
- The data collection will take place from approx. between 8:00a - 3:00p on several days in May and June.
- The rest of the hours are to be scheduled according to your availability with the Evaluation Manager.

### **To Apply**

Send a resume and cover sheet to Jessie Tartanian, Evaluation Manager at [jt@esynyc.org](mailto:jt@esynyc.org) by February 24th, 2017.

Edible Schoolyard NYC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Qualified applicants are considered for employment without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran status.