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**Human Relations Ambassadors Program**

The Human Relations Ambassadors Program (HRAP) is for young people who are looking to take the next step by turning their belief in equality and respect into action. HRAP is a place to meet young people from across OC to discuss ideas, develop a support network and reach out to others with the message of respect, understanding and social justice.

**Program Description**

The Human Relations Ambassadors Program is a yearlong internship designed to provide advanced human relations training and skills to a diverse cross section of Orange County youths who are committed to diversity, inclusion, and social justice. Ambassadors further the mission of OC Human Relations by serving as youth representatives of the agency in their communities and at events as participants, presenters, or facilitators.

**Mission Statement**

HRAP seeks to create a safe environment for students to attain the skills and knowledge in order to become leaders that can reach out to the diverse communities of OC as part of a larger human relations and social justice movement.

**Components**

**Participation**

Ambassadors meet bi-weekly to discuss human relations/social justice issues, gain leadership skills, develop workshops and community presentations. Ambassadors must not miss more than (5) meetings to graduate.

**Collaboration**

Ambassadors are required to develop a collaborative community-wide research project that addresses a specific human relations/social justice topic or need in their community.

In addition, Ambassadors must complete (2) writing assignments that will show expertise on a chosen social justice issue.

**Community Involvement/Taking Action**

Ambassadors are encouraged to find ways to bring the knowledge and skills attained in the program back to the Orange County community. Each year Ambassadors are trained to make presentations at local conferences, community meetings, schools and OC Human Relations events. These presentations help spread the mission of OC Human Relations of reducing inter-group tension and fostering mutual understanding in Orange County.

**Certification**

Upon completion of all the program requirements, Ambassadors receive certification of completion at a special graduation ceremony in May.

**Meeting Dates**

**6-8pm at OCHR Office in Santa Ana**

September 25, 2019   
October 9, 2019  
October 23, 2019   
November 6, 2019

November 20, 2019  
December 4, 2019  
December 18, 2020   
January 8, 2020   
January 22, 2020  
February 5, 2020  
February 19, 2020   
March 4, 2020   
March 18, 2020   
April 1, 2020   
April 22, 2020  
May 13, 2020

For more information please contact Kathy T. at 714-480-6571 or [kathyt@ochumanrelations.org](mailto:kathyt@ochumanrelations.org)

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## Applicant Information

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## Leadership or Volunteer Experience

List some previous volunteer or leadership experiences (can include outside of school experiences).

## Personal Interest Questions

*Please answer the following questions in no more than 2-3 paragraphs maximum. Please complete your responses on a separate page. You can turn in your application & responses to your BRIDGES Advisor or kathyt@ochumanrelations.org.*

**Why are you interested in joining the Human Relations Ambassadors Program?**

**What social justice issue(s) are you passionate/knowledgeable about and why?**

**Who is someone you look up to and why?**

## Disclaimer and Signature

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signature: |  | Date: |  |

Please send in this application and your attached answers to your BRIDGES Advisor or Kathy T. at [kathyt@ochumanrelations.org](mailto:kathyt@ochumanrelations.org) by Friday, September 13th, 2019 5:00pm.