



MISSIONARY

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Opportunity

As a full-time Missionary, you are on the front lines evangelizing college students and young adults as part of an SPO team. You will be responsible for helping build dynamic communities on campus where the people you build relationships with can encounter Christ and be transformed into missionary disciples.

Relational Outreach (40%)

- Proactively build strong student relationships, both one-on-one and in groups, constantly building new relationships and cultivating existing ones.
- Invite students into SPO community and a life of Catholic Christian discipleship.
- Integrating individual relationships into communal relationships.

SPO/Ministry Programs (50%)

- Plan and lead (or assist in leadership of) small groups, large groups, service teams, events, retreats, and other activities, in collaboration with university leadership and staff as appropriate.
- Lead (or assist in leadership of) an SPO Household and actively participate in the life of the house.
- Build team life through student mentorship/formation, recruiting, and active participation in team prayer and community life.
- Actively engage in annual national staff training (summer) as well as ongoing local staff training for continued development in evangelization and formation.

Mission Partner Development (10%)

Build a team of donors to support mission efforts, including:

- Reach and maintain MPD vision driven goal.
- Cultivate support team during the year through regular communication.

The Team

You will be part of a team that includes other Missionaries (your peers), Chapter Leaders (one of whom will be your direct supervisor), and student/young adult leaders present at your assigned Chapter. These people consist of the radical core that outreaches and forms your Chapter. You will also work with members of your region's (i.e. state) leadership team, and with the SPO National Office staff who are all there to support you.

Candidate Profile

Required Qualifications

- Strong written and verbal communication
- Dependable, flexible, and proactive
- Self-starter, able to take initiative and problem solve
- Ability to exercise good judgment and confidentiality
- A team player with experience in evangelization and discipleship
- Proactive relationship builder
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment with changing priorities and variable schedule
- Minimum of a two year degree (or equivalent); Bachelor's degree or equivalent is preferred
- Ability to read, write, and speak English fluently is essential
- Committed to the work of evangelization and discipleship
- Live as a witness to authentic Catholic Christian discipleship through a life of regular prayer, active participation in the Sacraments, and behavior consistent with the moral teachings of the Church
- Because this role has a strong peer-to-peer nature, we give preference to candidates between the ages of 21 - 26 for university locations.

Additional Qualifications

- Experience leading small groups and/or delivering training
- Demonstrated experience building, leading, and developing a team
- Education in ministry, catechetics, theology, education, or related field
- Campus ministry or university outreach experience, prior experience with SPO is preferred

About SPO

Saint Paul's Outreach (SPO) is an exciting national nonprofit that fulfills a crucial need to support and build a more robust Catholic life on America's college campuses and cities. Since 1985, SPO has been working with college students and young adults from across the country.

SPO's model is simple but effective. SPO Missionaries are trained and sent to campuses around the country where they dedicate their time as leaders of the Catholic life on campus and within student SPO Households. Missionaries cultivate relationships with students, inviting them to learn more and go deeper into the Catholic faith.

By inviting students to live with our missionaries in SPO Households, we form small communities of dedicated Catholic young people who encourage each other in their faith. SPO Households provide a comprehensive, round-the-clock Catholic lifestyle through which young adults receive the encouragement of an ardent Catholic community and emerge stronger and more confident in their faith. Many of the young people who participate in SPO not only grow in their faith and remain serious Catholics after college, but go on to evangelize their peers in every walk of life, including many who go on to full-time service to the Church as priests, religious, SPO Missionaries, or other ministry professions.

With up to 90% of young Catholics falling away from their faith during their college and young adult years, SPO is needed more than ever. With a proven approach that reaches thousands of students annually, SPO is working to reverse this trend. We know that in order to establish a way of life that will be sustained beyond college and young adulthood, comprehensive solutions are necessary. SPO has seen tremendous growth in recent years. Currently, we have waitlists for a number of households and new campuses nationwide are requesting an SPO presence. SPO is a nonprofit corporation with 501(c)(3) status, governed by a Board of Directors under the ecclesiastical vigilance of the Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Visit us at www.SPO.org for more information.