



**Applicant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPERIENCE AND INTERESTS**

**Please list any extracurricular activities, experiences, and/or internships which you believe are relevant to your qualifications for the Northwest Institute for Social Change:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Explain what skills and personal traits allow you to work well with a close-knit team?**

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**Given that the Northwest Institute for Social Change program spends part of its time at a camp setting, sponsors projects that can be unpredictable, and is overall challenging, which of your personality traits, characteristics, and skills will help contribute to your success?**

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If you have any special medical, physical, religious, dietary, or academic needs that the NW Institute needs to be aware of in order to accommodate your participation, you should notify the staff at the NW Institute. Without having this information at least 60 days prior to the commencement of the summer program, the NW Institute cannot assure appropriate support services and accommodations to your needs. Any information provided about these needs will not affect the decision regarding your admission.

## **ESSAY QUESTIONS**

*Directions: Answers should be limited to the word counts provided with each question. There are no correct answers. Provide honest and insightful interests that you believe will provide us the best view on your interests and qualifications.*

### **SHORT ANSWERS**

**Please provide thoughts on each of the following subjects. Answer on a separate sheet(s) and please answer each question in fewer than 150 words.**

1. Why do you want to participate in the NW Institute's program?
2. How did you find out about the program?
3. How do you define your community?

### **LONG FORM ANSWERS**

**Respond to one of the following questions in 500 words or less. If you chose to answer by video response, please limit your answer to five minutes or less:**

1. Explain the first news report that you remember that focused on LGBT issues. Identify some of the persons and portrayals of issues that you remember in that news report—and how did you respond to them?
2. Write a review of a movie that you have seen recently. Pay particular attention to the portrayal of one of the characters in the movie. Did you find this character to be a fair and full representation of his or her demographic?



## RATINGS AND SPECIFIC EVALUATION

No Basis		Below Avg.	Avg.	Above Avg.	Excellent (Top 10%)	One of the best encountered in my career
	Academic Achievement					
	Intellectual Promise					
	Quality of Writing					
	Creative, Original					
	Productive Class Discussion					
	Respect accorded by faculty					
	Disciplined work habits					
	Maturity					
	Motivation					
	Leadership					
	Integrity					
	Reaction to Setbacks					
	Concern for Others					
	Self-Confidence					
	Initiative, Independence					
	Overall					

### EVALUATION

Please tell us whatever you think is important about this student, including a description of academic and personal achievements, examples of leadership and information that you believe differentiates this student from others. Feel free to attach additional sheets or to include another reference you have prepared on behalf of this student.

**Evaluators Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**College or University Affiliation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature**

**Date**



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Please tell us whatever you think is important about this student, including a description of academic and personal achievements, examples of leadership and information that you believe sets your peer apart from others. Feel free to attach additional sheets or to include comments beyond the answers to the questions below.

**What do you feel are this applicant's strengths?**

**Why do you value knowing the person?**

**How do you believe this person will "change the world"?**

**Please explain a situation or occasion when you and your peer argued and, more importantly, how you two have resolved any differences.**

**Can you describe what you believe is this applicant's greatest challenge – and how he or she manages this challenge?**

Evaluators Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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