



Breakthrough Houston

Paid Summer Teaching Internship

What does Breakthrough do? Our dual mission is to (1) increase the college trajectories of Houston students from under-served backgrounds, and (2) develop high school and college students into future teachers.

Who are Breakthrough students? Breakthrough students are motivated, hard-working middle-schoolers from Houston public schools. The summer program works with students entering grades 7 through 9.

What does the Breakthrough teaching internship entail? It's an 8-week internship in Houston in which you will teach classes, work collaboratively on a team, and grow as a professional. It is hard work.

Where is Breakthrough Houston? Breakthrough Houston (BTH) is graciously hosted at St. John's School, an independent school in the Houston River Oaks area.

What subjects are available? All BTH teacher interns teach 2 sections of Math, Science, Literature, or Writing.

How are teachers trained? The internship includes an intensive two-week Teacher Training covering curriculum, instruction, and classroom management. In addition, professional teachers work as mentor teachers for interns.

What is the class size? BTH classes are typically small (10-13 students).

What about leadership roles? Many teachers take on additional leadership roles, such as Department Chair, AdCom Member, Committee Chair, or Family Lead.

What is Breakthrough Collaborative? There are Breakthrough programs in 25 cities across the United States, each sharing the same mission. Aspiring teacher interns may apply to up to 4 cities.

What is the Breakthrough teacher pipeline? Breakthrough Collaborative has partnerships with many post-graduate organizations, including Teach for America, Aspire Charter Schools, MATCH Teacher Residency, and YES Prep Charter Schools.

Who can apply? The internship is open to all college majors and rising high school seniors. The majority of our teacher interns are college students who want to become professional teachers.

What about compensation? All teachers receive a minimum \$2000 stipend for the summer.

Is housing provided? BTH provides homestays with families in Houston for interns not from the Houston area.

How do I apply? Visit <http://www.breakthroughcollaborative.org/teach/apply> to apply online.

When is the deadline? February 27, 2012

What does the application process include? Finalists will complete either (a) a video teaching submission or (b) an in-person selection event in which you'll deliver a short teaching demonstration. You will also submit a transcript, ask a teacher to complete an online recommendation, and complete a one-on-one interview in person or via Skype.

Who is accepted? The ideal candidate has a proven record of excellence inside and outside of school, is ready to work hard, and wants to grow as a person and professional. The admissions process is highly selective.

How can I find out more? Visit our website at www.breakthroughhouston.org. Then follow BTH on Facebook and Twitter (@BreakthroughHou), and e-mail Kathy Heinzerling at kheinzerling@sjs.org for questions.

Summer 2012 Dates:

Monday, June 4 – Friday, June 15
Monday, June 18 – Friday, July 27
Wednesday, July 4
interns

Training for all interns
Summer session with students
Holiday (no school)

Friday, July 27
Mon., July 30 – Wed., August 1
Wednesday, August 1

Celebration
Teacher intern wrap-up
Last day for teacher