DOMESTIC SITE

LOCATION:  

Tides Family Services  
215 Washington Street  
West Warwick, RI 02893-4051

Tides Family Services is a not-for-profit family service agency that addresses the needs of Rhode Island’s most at-risk children. Tides provides community-based services for wayward and adjudicated youth, ages 9-21.

PHONE:  
(401) 822-1360

WEBSITE:  
www.tidesfs.org

SITE DIRECTOR:  
Br. Michael Reis, FSC, CEO of Tides Family Services

LSI CONTACTS:  
Sophia V. Cartagena (Home-Based Clinical Services Behavioral Assistant and Site Director for the Lasallian Volunteers)  
(401) 339-2063  
scartagena@tidesfs.org

Jessie Sheridan (Direct supervisor, Pawtucket)

LASALLIAN VOLUNTEERS:  
TBD

COMMUNITY CONTACT:  
Sophia Cartagena (Works at Tides Family Services, and lives in community house)  
scartagena@tidesfs.org

# OF LSI STUDENTS:  
1-2

QUALIFICATIONS OR SKILLS REQUESTED:  
Spanish-speaking is preferred, but not required

SERVICE WORK:  
Tides Family Services provides a vast array of programs devoted to maintaining high-risk youth in the community by supporting and strengthening families and helping youth remain in school. Students will assist in providing Outreach and Tracking services to court-adjudicated and/or wayward status youth referred by Rhode Island Department of Children and Youth Services. The responsibilities include visiting clients in school to check attendance, visit homes
in the evening, case management duties, participation in therapeutic recreation, group supervision, and opportunities to shadow informal counseling and crisis management in homes and the community.

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ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF COURSE: $1,550
Estimate based on the following costs:
• $175.00 – Materials Fee
• $975.00 – Airfare
• $400.00 – Excursions and Cultural Activities

Please note:
• Most LSI costs are estimates, and may vary depending on flight costs at the time airline tickets are purchased, and how much each student wants to spend on extra activities, personal souvenirs, small thank you gifts for hosts, etc.
• LSI students will, in consultation with LSI staff and on-site LSI/community contact, book their own travel arrangements. Approximate dates: January 2-30, 2016

ACCOMODATIONS:
Site will provide Room and Board in the Brothers’ community, which also houses Lasallian Volunteers. Each student will have his/her own room, and may share a bathroom. Towels are provided. Public transportation is convenient – there is a bus stop in front of the community house.

RISKS/EMERGENCIES:
Site has access to 911 emergency services; Tides Family Services is approximately 3.5 miles from the nearest hospital. Tides has a tiered system of on-call supervisors during work hours.

COMMUNICATION:
Cell phone and Internet access are available. (Cell phones are not allowed during work hours due to confidentiality issues.)

COURSE WORKLOAD:
• Requirements as listed on the syllabus.
• Includes four required fall seminars and possible additional meeting for further information on this particular location.

BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS:
Students must respect the following guidelines:
• Conduct themselves with a high level of maturity (this is expected of all LSI students)
• Dress code: Business casual
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- A high level of maturity is expected of all LSI students
- No drugs
- If leaving the community house, make a community member aware of where you are going and when you will return
- Students should expect to participate in community life including daily prayer/reflection, shared meals (if community members take turns cooking, you may be asked to cook!) and other community activities
- General rules of the school and living community to be discussed upon arrival