DPCS Application Questions

Below is a list of questions listed in our digital application. These questions are being provided in this format so that you may draft your responses in advance of submitting them in the digital form. All final applications MUST be submitted through the digital application form.

**SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS**

* The selection committee is interested in how you have taken advantage of and grown from opportunities and experiences in the past. Please describe three significant volunteer experiences, paid work experiences, travel, extra-curricular activities, and/or academic projects/programs and specify how the skills developed in these opportunities will be relevant for your proposed project. Please limit your responses to 100 words per experience.
* How do you define social impact? What does social impact mean to you and why do you think it matters? (200-word limit)
* Please describe a time when you have taken on an independent project. How did you manage your time, stay organized, and produce high quality deliverables? (300-word limit)

**INTERNSHIP PROJECT**

* Describe the agency or organization with which you propose to perform your DCSI Internship. What is its mission and how does it fulfill it? Who are its clients and what community need does it fill? (200-word limit)
* Describe your specific role as an intern. What will your day-to-day work “look” like? (200-word limit)
* In what ways are you prepared to complete this fellowship? What specific skills, talents, and values will you bring to this opportunity? (200-word limit)
* What are some relevant facts and demographics you can share about the community your remote service will be supporting and the issues you will help your organization to address? (200-word limit)
* Please list the learning objectives, skills or knowledge, you anticipate you will gain throughout your internship experience with your selected partner organization. (200-word limit, bullets are fine)
* Please list the deliverables due at the conclusion of the internship. (200-word limit, bullets are fine)

**COVID CONSIDERATIONS**

* Please describe in detail the type of and frequency of in person work you will be doing. Example: "I will be at my internship site sorting donated clothes three days a week with other volunteers, the other two days a week I will be working our organization's staff in our offices to do data cleaning."
* Please describe the COVID safety policies in the community where you will be completing your internship and outline how you propose to comply with said policies. Additionally, please walk us through how you can maintain a safe social-distance during your time in your new location including the commute to and from your internship. (300-word limit)
* Should your internship have to shift to being completely remote, how do you plan to continue interning 40 hours a week? What plans do you and your supervisor have in place to continue to make a meaningful impact at your organization? (300-word limit)
* Should you contract covid-19 during your internship, what mechanisms do you have in place to safely self-quarantine? (200-word limit)

**MOTIVATION AND GOALS**

* List three specific goals you hope to accomplish within the next three years. These can be personal, professional, or academic goals. (200-word limit)
* DCSI Interns are encouraged to structure their internship to facilitate personal and/or professional growth. Explain how your proposed project will help you achieve this growth. (200-word limit)
* DPCS matches all student interns with a mentor. Mentors are Dartmouth alumni or alumni spouses who provide support and guidance during internships. Interns are expected to meet remotely with mentors three times or more during internships. What do you hope to gain from the mentor component of the DPCS program? (100-word limit)