

Chesterton House is an independent Christian study center founded nearly 25 years ago. We are strategically located next to Cornell University and an affiliated chaplaincy within Cornell United Religious Work. Chesterton House provides Cornell students with a comprehensive Christian college experience in a beautiful two-acre residential campus with a vibrant common life. Designated an Oasis of Excellence in Higher Education by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni, Chesterton House is a recognized leader and an innovative campus ministry model, with an intensive living-learning experience in intentional Christian community combined with extensive academic and intellectual programs both on and off Cornell's main campus. Chesterton House aims to facilitate the discovery of the intellectual riches of the historic Christian faith, thereby empowering more faithful Christian living for students, staff, faculty, and alumni of Cornell University.

The Student Engagement Coordinator (SEC) is an intensive team-oriented position that provides campus-wide engagement and cooperation with student organizations and campus ministries, hands-on facilities support, administrative help, and ministry program planning assistance for Chesterton House's residential ministry and multifaceted academic year programming. The SEC creates and sustains relationships with other campus ministries, churches, student organizations, and outside groups at Cornell and in the broader Ithaca community as they collaborate in campus life. Residential operations include supporting facilities and organizing residential life, recruiting students, leading spiritual formation groups, implementing off-site retreats, work days, hospitality operations and other ministry activities. Event and administrative support responsibilities include event planning, event coordination, hospitality food/beverage setup, communication and coordination with local churches and campus ministries, and other various ministry support tasks.

Ideal candidates would have prior campus ministry / church experience and be a recent grad from college. Candidates must have a dynamic and hospitable presence and should be eager to connect relationally with people in group and individual settings. They will also be supportive of the overall mission of Chesterton House to introduce students to the historic Christian intellectual tradition. This position requires agreement with the Chesterton House statement of faith and conduct as an orthodox confessional Christian organization with traditional Biblical views on issues including gender and sexuality. Candidates must also be able to transcend ideological divides and work constructively with others who have differing views from our organization as

well, as we aim for a merely Christian unifying connection across denominations and theological convictions.

**Employment dates:**

Available immediately. This position involves weekend / irregular hours.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree required. Graduate work in biblical studies, theology, or religion desired.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- A team player who can adapt to changing needs, communicate regularly, meet deadlines, be punctual and reliable. Able to take initiative and work independently.
- Agreement with Chesterton House statement of faith and conduct.
- Ability to work together across a wide variety of Christian denominational and doctrinal differences.
- Desirable Qualifications:
- Prior campus ministry experience desirable.
- Some familiarity with intentional Christian community, the Christian intellectual tradition.

**Job Title:**

Student Engagement Coordinator

**Pay Rate Type:**

Salary + benefits (health, dental, life, retirement). This position is fully funded and does not require any personal fundraising.

Must be on-site / in person. Relocation help available.