



UMPI Early College Access Coordinator

Come to Maine and experience the natural beauty and exciting outdoor opportunities provided by its distinct four seasons! Maine Campus Compact (MCC) is a statewide coalition of colleges and universities whose purpose is to further the public purposes and civic mission of higher education. MCC's team of 10 VISTAs will develop programming that mobilizes college students to increase college aspirations in Maine's K-12 youth. This position will be based at the University of Maine at Presque Isle in Presque Isle.

The AmeriCorps VISTA position at the University of Maine at Presque Isle (UMPI) is focused on expanding college access for high school students in Northern Maine, assisting at-risk students, supporting the University's four-year completion initiative, and promoting community service activities. They will work with the Dean of Students on implementing projects such as college preparation programs, coordinating an Academic Coaching program for online and at risk students, developing a summer leadership program for new students, creating a mentor program, assisting with educational programs and awareness campaigns focused on college completion, and developing community service programs to encourage students to become engaged citizens and help build their potential to effect positive social change.

The VISTA will be instrumental in the successful oversight and implementation of many aspects of the tutoring and mentoring programs at UMPI. As outlined in the VAD, VISTA responsibilities include:

- Assist TRIO programs throughout the academic year.
- Organize Aspiration Activities.
- Design and implement UMPI Day, a volunteer service day that serves the campus and local community.
- Continue to access and implement improvements to the academic coaching model.
- Design and implement the 2019 Summer Bridge Program
- Be an active member of UMPI4ME
- Create Community Service Program to enhance student community engagement and service learning on campus.
- Plan and implement UMPI Alternative Spring Break.

Essential functions and qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or higher required
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Well-developed organizational abilities
- Motivated, independent worker

Desired functions and qualifications:

- Experience with recruitment activities
- Experience in college access initiatives
- Comfortable speaking in public and/or with groups and individuals

Benefits and terms:

MCC VISTAs receive a living allowance of roughly \$12,277 over the course of the year. Housing and full meal plan will be provided. Upon successful completion, choose either an education award of \$5,920 to use toward educational loans or future educational expenses or a year end stipend of \$1,800. If choosing the education award, members can put any qualifying loans in forbearance during their term and any accrued interest will be paid off by AmeriCorps at the end of the term. Members receive a health benefit allowance, are covered under workers' compensation, and have numerous professional development opportunities. *There will be a mandatory pre-service orientation July 30th-August 2nd; the official start date for MCC VISTAs will be Friday August 3, 2018, more information to follow.*

To Apply: Please create an AmeriCorps profile and apply at <https://my.americorps.gov/mp/login.do> online at: AND submit a resume & cover letter to MCC VISTA Leader Tom Gallant at tom@maincompact.org