



Rise In STEM – STEM Athletics Volunteer Coach

Overview:

Rise In STEM is seeking an energetic, youth-focused Volunteer Coach to support our second iteration of the STEM Athletics Program. This program is a weekly initiative combining physical activity, mentorship, and exposure to science, technology, engineering, and math for middle school students. The initiative also supports high school students with monthly workshops focused on career exploration and academic development. This placement is ideal for students interested in youth development, community engagement, and integrating sport with educational outcomes.

The placement:

Rise In STEM is a Toronto-based, grassroots organization working to level the playing field for Black and underserved youth by breaking down systemic barriers to higher education and STEM careers. We provide resources and opportunities to enhance well being, leadership, and technical skills, ensuring youth are well-equipped for success in today's digital society. Learn more about our work at www.riseinstem.ca

The position:

The STEM Athletics Program consists of weekly afterschool sessions that connect physical activity to STEM-related concepts. Youth will engage in a variety of sport activities and a cumulative STEM-based project to explore STEM through the lens of sports. As a Volunteer Coach, you will assist with weekly training sessions for students in Grades 7 and 8, help facilitate group activities, capture videos & photos to support social media, and contribute to program planning. You will work alongside experienced staff and mentors in a safe and supportive environment.

The role can be adapted to the student's interests — whether in coaching, youth engagement, wellness, social media content creation or educational content delivery. Sessions take place in-person on weekday evenings in the North Etobicoke area.

The opportunity:

This is a hands-on opportunity to work directly with young people and gain experience in program facilitation, community leadership, and mentorship. Students will deepen their understanding of equity in education, sport-for-development, and youth empowerment while building practical skills in group coordination, communication, and planning. Through our various partnerships, this role provides an opportunity to broaden networks and connections in the North Etobicoke community and beyond.

The ideal candidate:

We are looking for students who are:

- Passionate about youth development and social equity
- Reliable, enthusiastic, and comfortable leading or assisting in group settings
- Strong communicators who can work well as part of a team
- Backgrounds in kinesiology, education, child and youth care, psychology, health studies, social work, or related fields are welcome
- Athletic experience is an asset but not required

How to apply:

For information about the application process, go to: <https://www.newcollege.utoronto.ca/cel-courses/cel-how-to-apply/>

Application deadline: Wednesday, July 2, 2025

For more information about the course, please visit: <https://www.newcollege.utoronto.ca/cel-courses/>

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