

Tishman Environment and Design Center Job Description, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Tishman Environment and Design Center Assistant Director April 2021

Background

The Assistant Director will support the campus programs and sustainability initiatives of the Tishman Center, and develop projects designed to achieve the goals laid out in the Center's Strategic Plan and the university's Climate Action Plan and Climate Emergency Declaration. The Assistant Director will be the Center's primary liaison to Marketing & Communications, Facilities, and Public Programming at the university for the sake of collaborating to advance a culture of sustainability and environmental justice on campus and in the surrounding community.

Responsibilities

- Work with Directors to provide leadership on strategic goals, engagement with affiliated faculty and curriculum development in collaboration with the Centers' affiliated faculty and advisory board
- Assist in defining goals, performance metrics and annual strategic programming for the Tishman Environment and Design Center
- Monitor, evaluate and report annually on the Center's mission, strategic goals and priorities, document performance trends, and recommend and implement modifications to improve the Center's effectiveness.
- Represent or communicate the Tishman Center's programs to the University community (faculty, staff, students, and alumni);
- Liaison with groups, programs, offices and departments across the University to achieve Tishman Center's strategic goals and objectives; serve on various sustainability and justice related committees as assigned by Tishman Center leadership.
- Represent the Tishman Center's programs to the public; attend professional meetings as appropriate; interface with external organizations to fulfill the mission of Tishman Center and support collaborative efforts with external partners and Tishman Center affiliated faculty and students
- Research, disseminate and implement best practices from other institutions with regards to sustainability and environmental justice that can be applied to The New School.
- Supervise student Office Assistants coordinating: (1) campus programming and activities related to sustainability, including public events and conferences (2) communications and event planning (3) Research Assistants who are supporting Tishman Center projects.
- Manage internal and external communications through traditional and social media outlets
- Manage the Center's website and social media platforms and update as needed
- Work with university departments on facilitating sustainability performance measures including sustainability reporting and internal policymaking
- Maintain cohesion and communication with associated faculty, students, community partners and executive leadership
- Track mentions of Tishman Center staff and mentions in traditional and social media

Minimum Qualifications

- Master's degree or Bachelor's degree with 5 years relevant experience
- Passionate commitment to environmental justice and sustainability
- Experience in project, program and event management
- Understanding of work within an organization's multiple levels



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- Leadership, administrative and relationship management experience
- Strong communications, writing, marketing and social media skills
- Excellent computing skills, including MS Office and Google apps
- Highly organized and able to think strategically and creatively to initiate projects, solve problems;
- Self-motivated and proactive; Ability to work independently and collaboratively
- Work well under pressure, meet deadlines and attend to details
- Writing samples required

Preferred Qualifications

• Master's degree in the field of environment and sustainability, management, or related area