Summer Hive Fellowship Program 2021

This will be a six-to-ten-week Sontag Center (the Hive) sponsored project for teams of two to four 5C students who have had some exposure to human-centered design. This project will be primarily supervised by Dr. Shannon Randolph, Director of Community and Global Engagement at the Hive and Visiting Professor in the Environment Analysis Department at Pomona, and Fred Leichter, Founding Director at the Hive and Engineering Professor of Practice at Harvey Mudd College.

Each student may receive up to a $2,500 stipend for their project. Teams will collaborate to design around important problems relevant to the world we live in using a human-centered design framework. This year teams are invited to design around one of these prompts:

- Health and wellbeing for all students post-COVID
- An inclusive and safe Pomona farm space
- Equitable solutions to an environmental or societal issue
- Propose your own open-ended challenge

Teams will be matched with a Hive faculty advisor with whom they will meet weekly to receive mentorship and advising.

Eligibility:
To be eligible for funding, students must be currently enrolled and continuing in one of the 5Cs (graduating December 2021 or later). International students should check with their international student advisor if they require CPT (Curricular Practical Training) authorization to complete their project. For example, those doing research with a non-Pomona professor, or doing a research internship with an organization using this funding may need CPT.

Recipients may not receive funding from both this Hive Fellowship and any other Claremont Colleges employment or stipend programs during Summer 2021 (e.g. departmental funding, PCIP, Mellon-Mays, Humanities Studio, or Beckman at Pomona College).

Teams may still include members who do not meet these criteria; however, those team members will not be eligible for Hive Fellowship funding. Students who receive funding from other sources may be eligible for supplemental funding less than $2500 from the Hive.
Timeline and meetings:
Projects will officially be conducted for 6 – 10 weeks, between June 7th and August 20th, 2021. The exact dates should be decided between teams and their advisors. Teams may personally choose to continue the project beyond these specified dates. All teams are expected to submit and present final deliverables by August 20th, 2021.

Main learning objectives and outcomes
- Practice human-centered design skills
- Develop as a strong collaborator
- Develop generative skills
- Develop synthesis skills
- Increase creative capacity

Application:
Please submit this application form as a team or an individual (if you are seeking to be paired with a team) by Friday May 7th 11:59pm PT to be considered. Approved applications will be announced no later than Monday May 17th.

Please email Shannon Randolph at Shannon.randolph@hive.claremont.edu if you have any questions.