Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Graphic Designer

The Sustainable LA Grand Challenge (SLA GC) (https://grandchallenges.ucla.edu/sustainable-la/) is looking for a Graphic Designer to help with the design and production of the Sustainable LA Environmental Report Card for Los Angeles County. The ideal candidate is passionate about driving social and environmental change through visual communication in both print and web layout products. Starting pay rate is $14.00/hour. Must be available to dedicate a minimum of 12-15 hours per week. Work study not required. Initial appointment is through December 2018, but renewal is possible with satisfactory performance.

The graphic designer will report to the SLA GC program administrator, in coordination with the director and communications and PR manager of the SLA GC.

Objectives
- Support and contribute to the design and layout of the Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Environmental Report Card for Los Angeles County.
- Manage and organize report graphics, photos, charts, maps, and tables.
- Design and/or develop creative infographics, charts, maps, and tables from source files (typically originated in Word, Excel, or ARC-GIS), and other designed elements necessary.
- Assist with other SLA GC design content as needed.

Required Qualifications
- Proficient in the Adobe Creative Suite, specifically InDesign, Illustrator, and Photoshop.
- Knowledge of best practices for print and web content production.
- Keen design sense and ability to think critically and provide creative input.
- Strong attention to detail.
- Capacity to take ideas and concepts and produce designed products such as infographics and other graphic elements to visually display complex data.
- Aptitude to learn quickly and manage multiple tasks. Time management skills are a must with the ability to pace work to meet established deadlines.
- Ability to work independently and with a team.

Preferred Qualifications
- Experience with producing designed publications, such as magazines, reports, or other print material with a web interface.
- A passion for the environment and sustainability.

About the Sustainable LA Grand Challenge
The UCLA Grand Challenges (https://grandchallenges.ucla.edu/) initiative connects faculty, students and supporters from all disciplines to work together, adopting a holistic approach to solve critical issues. The Sustainable LA Grand Challenge (https://grandchallenges.ucla.edu/sustainable-la/) was developed in response to the challenges posed by regional-specific effects of climate change, combined with an increasing urban population in Los Angeles County. The SLA GC aims to capitalize on the university’s research strengths to develop a blueprint for transitioning Los Angeles County to 100% renewable energy, 100% local water, and enhanced ecosystem by 2050. The Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Environmental Report Card for Los Angeles County (https://grandchallenges.ucla.edu/sustainable-la/report-card/) aims to measure progress towards reaching the SLA GC goals.

HOW TO APPLY
Must be a currently enrolled UCLA student to apply. Please email your resume, cover letter, and portfolio samples to Christina Hernandez, Sustainable LA Grand Challenge program administrator, at SustainableLA@ucla.edu with the subject line “Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Graphic Designer.” Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Desired start date is July 1, 2018, for summer or September 17, 2018, for fall.