



The Buzz is Hiring!: Apply to become an OpenLab Student Blogger or Photoblogger

The OpenLab seeks enthusiastic student bloggers to join [The Buzz](#) and create conversation, community, and engagement on the OpenLab and at the college. [The Buzz](#) is an OpenLab student project where students blog about themselves and topics of their choice (e.g., architecture in NYC, food, motherhood, academic discovery, the immigrant experience, and “Humans of City Tech”).

Why join the OpenLab student blogging team?

- Publish your work on the OpenLab and develop a public portfolio of professional writing
- Gain real-world blogging experience, build your resume, and **get paid \$500 per semester**
- Learn best practices for developing an online presence, personal brand, and using social media
- Collaborate with a bright, creative team of students and receive mentorship from the OpenLab team
- Share your experiences and ideas with the City Tech community, and beyond
- Option to present at academic conferences (e.g., City Tech Poster Session, CUNY IT Conference)

Job Requirements

- Publish one blog post per week and comment on other bloggers' posts
- Submit blog drafts for review and peer-review other bloggers' drafts
- Prepare for and participate in an orientation and monthly meetings
- Participate in outreach to other City Tech students (e.g., tabling and workshops)
- Expand The Buzz's readership and social media presence

Minimum Qualifications

- Have passed English 1101 before Fall 2017 (with a C grade, or higher)
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively
- Ability to meet deadlines (good time management skills)
- Ability to communicate effectively remotely (e.g., answer emails from the OpenLab team in a timely manner)
- (Photobloggers) Have experience taking photographs and optimizing images for the web

Application Instructions

- Applications should include: 1) **cover letter** describing what you would bring to The Buzz as well as the topic that you would like to blog about; 2) **resume**; 3) **writing sample** (a link to a previously published blog post is preferred, but a writing assignment you have done for a class is fine if you have never blogged before); 4) For photobloggers, at least **five images**.
- Send your application to Professor Jill Belli (jbelli@citytech.cuny.edu), Co-Director of the OpenLab, and cc openlab@citytech.cuny.edu. Write “Student Blogger” in the subject line of your email.
- The application deadline is **Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 5pm**. Interviews will be conducted shortly after.
- Positions begin August 2017, and are for the 2017-2018 academic year. Pay rate is \$500 per semester.