Become part of Project Grow - help prepare a preschooler for kindergarten!

Project Grow at the UW-Madison offers opportunities for University students to work with low income preschool children, their families, and the community to achieve school readiness goals - specifically focusing on developing children’s language, literacy, and social skills.

Project Grow, administered through the School of Human Ecology, has Corps Member opportunities available for the 2010-11 academic year. Corps members commit 10-12 hours per week for the academic year and work in teams of eight people, led by a team leader. Students can earn course credit, or in some cases work study, for working as a Corps Member. They can also earn a minimum time Americorps education award of a $1000 for the time that they spend with Project Grow.

Project Grow Corps Members serve 10-12 hours per week (for a total of at least 300 hours) during the academic year. Corps members partner with children from low-income backgrounds to help them build skills crucial to school success. Responsibilities include participating in two two-hour school readiness sessions each week with a partner child and team, participating in two team planning meetings each week, serving as a teacher’s aide four to five hours each week in a preschool classroom during the regular school day, communicating with partner child’s family and sharing strategies for helping the child, participating in intensive pre-and in-service training, and attending periodic service days.

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