



# the encampment

2018 Encampment

JUNE 30 - JULY 24, 2018

Hinds Community College  
Raymond, MS

## Leadership, Community, Social Justice

### Voting Rights & Education Reform – EFC Freedom Summer 2018!

In 2018, the Encampment for Citizenship (EFC) summer program will be held in Mississippi, focused on voting rights and education reform. The world we live in is constantly changing and we have the power to shift the direction of that change.

We will be learning about voting rights and education reform and working with community organizations in Mississippi. This work will also have an impact on you as you grow as an activist. You will have an opportunity to carry on the Encampment for Citizenship's 72-year legacy of educating prominent civic leaders and social justice activists, by answering the call to learn, grow, serve, and act!

Although the theme for this summer lifts up voting rights and education reform, participants will also dig deep into other social justice issues and analyze how the EFC approach, based on critical thinking, community building, and use of the arts as organizing tools, is transferable to a wide range of issues.

### Workshops

Workshops are the heart of the Encampment experience, designed to be engaging, challenging and inspiring! All Encampers sign up for both a core and an arts workshop. Core workshops approach the bigger theme from a unique focus. They may include their own speakers, field trips and exercises to push you to thinking critically about the world around you, and your role in it. Arts workshops include drama, movement and music. Encampers learn how to use the arts as a tool for social transformation, as they creatively express and articulate their concerns, ideas and beliefs.

### 2018 highlights include:

- Experience the rich educational, historical and cultural resources of the Southeast, and meet leaders in social change, sustainability, and community organizing.
- Explore issues within the educational and voting systems in Mississippi and the Southeast region.
- Tour of civil rights sites, including: the Voting Rights Museum, the National Slavery Museum, and the Emmett Till Museum.
- Three-day immersion in the culture and community of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians.
- Participate in a service learning project with a Mississippi-based community organization.

**LIVE** in a culturally diverse community of youth from around the country.

**LEARN** more about current social issues and ways to address them.

**EXPERIENCE** local communities through service learning.

**CREATE** your community decision-making process.

**DEVELOP** your leadership potential.

**EXPLORE** Mississippi and local Indian Nations – their cultural, civic and natural resources, and community organizations.

**MAKE FRIENDS** with other young people from across the country you would not meet anywhere else.

**PARTICIPATE** in arts workshops and experience the power of collective creation and social justice.

*At the Encampment, we develop our ideas, connect with people who can help us, hear our peers and lift each other up to be the change our world needs!*

—2017 Encamper



## Program Information

### Admissions

Apply if you:

- Want to make a difference in your community;
- Want to participate in a summer residential program with youth from many different backgrounds;
- Are between 15 and 18 years old;
- Want to become a part of a national and intergenerational community of social justice activists and leaders from across the country.

### Program Dates and Location

June 30 - July 24, 2018

Hinds Community College, Raymond, Mississippi

### Admissions Process

Applications are reviewed by the Admissions Committee. We will call your references as you move forward in the admissions process. We will talk with you and a family member about the Encampment and will answer any questions you may have. Please contact our office for more information.

### How to Get There

Each Encamper is responsible for arranging transportation to and from Hinds Community College. The closest airport is Wiley Medgar Evers in Jackson, MS. We will help Encampers contact each other so they may travel in groups. We will bring Encampers from and to the airport, train or bus station.

*The Encampment changed the course of my life. I became conscious of social justice issues through the curriculum and through my fellow Encampers, who became like family to me. I realized the importance of my voice, and the power of my generation to make change. It was also a great addition to my college application.*

—2014 Encamper

### Accommodations and Meals

Encampers share rooms in a secure college dormitory. Staff are on site and available 24/7. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are served in the main dining room. There is always a vegetarian option on the menu; we can work with you to accommodate other dietary needs.

### Program Fee\*

The program fee (\$3,500) covers room & board, activities, staffing, and materials for the program. Full and partial fee waivers are available. No one will be turned away for lack of funds!

## OK, I want to go! What now?

Get your application form! Contact the Encampment at:  
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