



Project Pericles
Position Opening: Deputy Director
New York City – Hybrid

About Project Pericles: Founded in 2001 by the visionary educational philanthropist Eugene M. Lang, Project Pericles is a higher education non-profit organization committed to fostering the next generation of civic leaders. Working with our consortium of Periclean colleges and universities, as well as many other higher education institutions, we support innovative curricula and faculty leadership that empower students with the skills to address society's grand challenges including: Climate Change, Economic Justice, Education Access, Immigration, Mass Incarceration, Race and Inequality, Public Health, and Voter Engagement. Project Pericles works with presidents, provosts, faculty, staff, and students to support political and democratic engagement across all levels of the institution.

Project Pericles is a thriving organization entering an exciting phase of substantive growth and financial strength. This new position of **Deputy Director** will play a pivotal role in shaping our future. In partnership with the Executive Director, Assistant Director, and the Board of Directors, the Deputy Director will serve as a trusted thought leader who helps initiate, design, and implement new directions in the organization's development and communications strategies. This critical multi-faceted leadership position will expand Project Pericles' capacity to address urgent concerns that lie at the intersection of civic engagement, social justice/responsibility, and higher education's mission to serve the public good.

The current times demonstrate the crucial need for students to embrace their role and responsibility in making a difference in society. Project Pericles is uniquely positioned to address the need by supporting higher education's civic mission and commitment to collective action. It is essential that the Deputy Director brings enthusiasm, a commitment to democracy, and will "hit the ground running" to support our vital work. The Deputy Director reports to the Executive Director and has supervisory responsibilities. The ideal candidate will be an experienced, ambitious, creative, goal-oriented leader with a hearty sense of humor and willingness to work collaboratively with talented and committed colleagues across the country.

Responsibilities include:

- Expand our fundraising to reach new funders, including corporate, major, and small foundations; government agencies; and individuals.
- Develop and implement a communications strategy that advances our mission and promotes Pericleans' inspiring work to a range of audiences including academics, civic thought leaders, donors, and the public. This includes overseeing website, e-newsletter, and other materials.
- Manage budget and finances of the organization.
- Direct the development of grant proposals, narrative and financial reports, and other reports to foundations, college presidents, and the Board of Directors.
- Collaborate with and maintain strong relationships with our member colleges and universities and higher education more broadly.
- Direct portions of multi-year grant projects, Periclean programs, and national convenings associated with: The Periclean Faculty Leadership (PFL) Program™, The Periclean Voting Modules, and Debating for Democracy (D4D)™.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree required and authorization to work in the United States. Advanced degree preferred.
- Six or more years of experience in higher education, public policy, and/or non-profit organizations with demonstrated capacity for both leadership and creativity.
- Demonstrated success in accomplishing ambitious, strategic goals.
- Ability to manage and prioritize multiple projects and be a self-starter.
- Experience supervising others and managing projects.
- Strong relationships with individuals in a wide range of positions at higher education institutions.

- Track record of securing financial support from corporations, foundations, and individual donors from the educational and philanthropic sectors.
- Excellent interpersonal and written communication skills.
- Experience in higher education, activism, civic engagement, social responsibility and/or social justice, and a desire to inspire faculty and empower student leaders.

Compensation

Salary: In the low \$100,000s based on education, experience, and demonstrated ability.

Medical insurance, 403(b) retirement savings plan, and generous vacation.

This is a full-time position with the successful candidate expected to start in late 2022. The position is located at the Project Pericles office in Midtown Manhattan, with a hybrid work from home option.

To Apply

Please send an e-mail to Jan.Liss@ProjectPericles.org with “Deputy Director – LAST NAME” in the subject line.

Include your resume, a cover letter, a one-to-three-page writing sample, and the names of two references.

Deadline: Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

No phone inquiries, please.

Project Pericles is an EEO employer.

Periclean Colleges and Universities

Allegheny College • Bates College • Berea College • Bethune-Cookman University
 Carleton College • Chatham University • Dillard University • Drew University
 Elon University • The Evergreen State College • Goucher College
 Hampshire College • Hendrix College • Macalester College • Morehouse College
 New England College • The New School • Occidental College • Pace University
 Pitzer College • Reed College • Rhodes College • Skidmore College
 Swarthmore College • Ursinus College • Wagner College
 Whitman College • Widener University • The College of Wooster

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