Harlem Lacrosse and Leadership ("HLL") seeks a **three (3) part-time AmeriCorps Coach Across America Assistant Coaches (CAA)** to support HLL's daily, year-round girls athletic and academic programs at our middle school sites in Harlem from August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2017.

HLL was founded in 2011 by Simon Cataldo, a former Teach for America teacher who saw that his special education students lacked opportunities outside of the classroom to develop self-confidence and social skills. His students' test scores rose dramatically when he started teaching them lacrosse after school, and HLL was born. Since its inception in 2011, HLL's resources and reach have grown rapidly. Today, HLL uses a school-based, full-day, year-round model to provide academic intervention, behavioral support, mentoring, leadership training, and lacrosse instruction to students from low-income areas of New York City and Baltimore. HLL currently operates eight programs in New York and Baltimore, serving over 340 boys and girls. More information about HLL is available on its website, www.harlemlacrosse.org. HLL's most recent Impact Report is available here.

Each CAA will assist an HLL Girls Program Director at an HLL school site, providing program support and directly mentoring, coaching, and tutoring students throughout the year. The position is ideal for a college student or recent graduate who is eager to gain experience in sports-based youth development and education.

High-performing CAAs will be considered for promotions within the organization at the end of the one-year service term.

Responsibilities include:

- Assisting the Program Director during practice 2-3 times per week after school during the fall and spring season, occasionally leading drills and activities;
- Collaborating with the Program Director to plan practices;
- Providing academic and social-emotional support to students during the school day (in school hours are flexible and can accommodate other positions or obligations as needed) and after school;
- Coaching and mentoring students during field trips and lacrosse events; and
- Collaborating with HLL staff and Board Members to plan community service events, university visits, and enrichment events for HLL students.

In addition to site-specific duties, CAA Coaches are also responsible for the following CAA/AmeriCorps program elements:

- Completing timesheets;
- Reflecting on their work in guided reflection logs and
- Participating in a National Day of Service.

CAA is an intense experience and Coaches are asked to go above and beyond each and every day. Being a part of CAA connects our Coaches both with their local communities and a larger national movement of people dedicated to serving youth through sports.

Qualifications/Requirements:
Ideal CAA candidates should be able to coach independently set appropriate goals and expectations not only for players, but also for themselves. Our participants are generally very energetic and possess a multitude of personalities, learning styles and emotional differences.

- Lacrosse experience as a player or coach is preferred, but is not mandatory.
- Basic proficiency in Excel/Word is a plus, but not required.
- Consent to a nationwide criminal background check is required.

Benefits:

- Living stipend of $7,770;
- End of service education award of $2,685 furnished by AmeriCorps; and
- Training workshops throughout the year from Up2Us and HLL.

To Apply:
Send a cover letter and resume with "HLL Girls Assistant Coach" and your name in the subject heading to application@harlemlacrosse.org. Finalists for the position must also complete an application through Up2Us to be selected.

Upon selection, all incoming CAA's must attend the following events:
August 5, 2016: Up2Us Orientation Day in New York
August 12-16, 2016: Up2Us Coaches Institute in Boston (expenses paid)