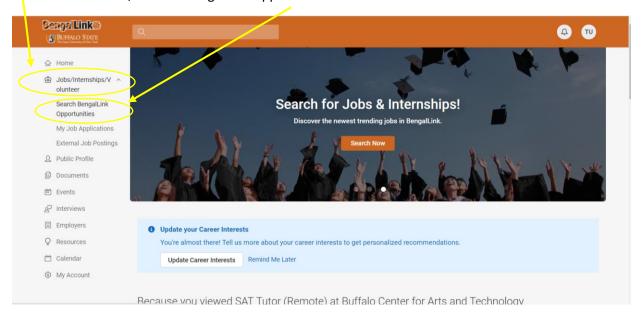
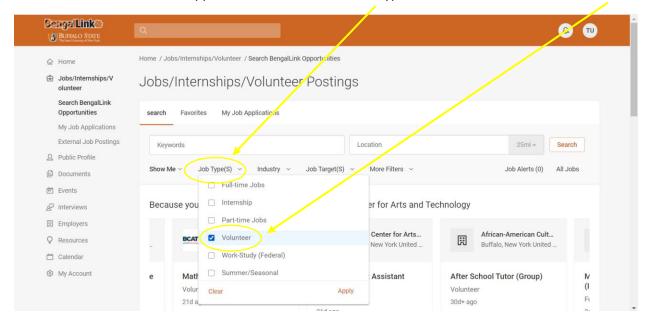
How to Search for Volunteer Opportunities on BengalLink

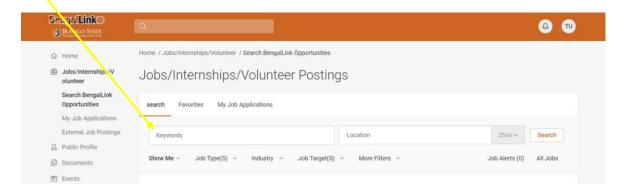
- 1. Log into BengalLink: https://buffalostate-csm.symplicity.com/students/?signin_tab=0
 - a. Go to Civic and Community Engagement (http://cce.buffalostate.edu)
 - b. Click "Students"
 - c. Click "Volunteer"
 - d. Scroll below main photo and click on hyper link: "Search for Volunteer Opportunities on BengalLink"
 - e. If this is the first time you are entering BengalLink, use your Banner ID (with capital 'B') as your username. First time users of BengalLink should type their last name (with first letter of last name capitalized) as password.
- 2. On the left side of the screen, click "Jobs/Internships/Volunteer."
- 3. Then select, "Search BengalLink Opportunities."



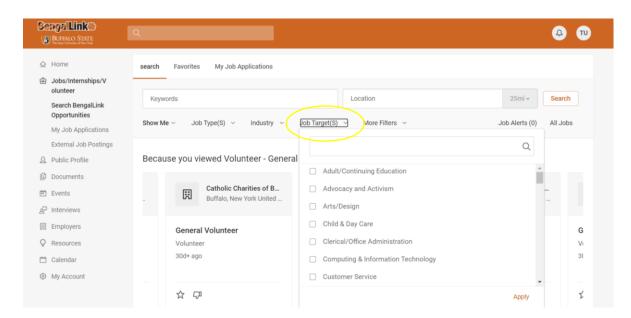
4. Search for volunteer opportunities beneath the "Job Type" filter. Check the box next to "Volunteer."



- 5. You can further filter you search for volunteer opportunities by:
 - a. Typing organization names or other keywords into the keywords search bar.
 - i. ex: "Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper" or "clean up"
 - b. Typing the words "Remote," "One-Time," or "Group" into the keywords search bar.
 - i. Remote = an experience that can be done remotely, or when volunteer does not have to be physically present at the organization to participate in the volunteer opportunity
 - ii. One-Time = an opportunity where a volunteer can participate one-time, rather than on a weekly or consistent basis
 - iii. Group = appropriate opportunity for groups, teams, student organizations, etc. to go together to volunteer



- c. Selecting one or more "Job Targets" that connect to community concerns you're passionate about:
 - i. Advocacy and Activism campaigns for advocacy or activism on social justice issues, legislative advocacy, etc.
 - ii. Food and Housing food banks, meal services, housing construction, those experiencing homelessness, etc.
 - iii. Gender, LGBTQ+, and BIPOC programs designed to support women, men, LGBTQ+, and BIPOC communities
 - iv. Health/Wellness/Health Related physical health, mental health, domestic violence and human trafficking, addiction programs, nutrition, dietetics, etc.
 - v. New Americans programs supporting refugees, immigrants, asylum-seekers, refugee resettlement, etc.
 - vi. Science/Natural Resources/Environment waterway and neighborhood clean ups, pollution prevention, community gardens and urban farms, etc.
 - vii. Social Services/Nonprofits senior citizens, veterans, individuals with different abilities, animal, restorative justice, formerly incarcerated, violence prevention, emergency preparedness, disaster relief, block clubs, etc.
 - viii. Tutoring/Mentoring schools and afterschool programs, youth programs, adult education, etc.



6. Once you've filtered the search to your liking and find an opportunity that interest you, click on the title to read the position description and learn how to apply/contact the organization.

