



Valhalla Foundation (“Valhalla”) is the private foundation of Scott Cook (co-founder of Intuit) and Signe Ostby. Valhalla invests in and supports innovative organizations aligned with its mission to *drive measurable and meaningful improvement in outcomes that matter*.

In that spirit, Valhalla focuses on five main portfolio areas: [early childhood development](#), [K-12 education](#), [data science](#), [medical research and talent](#), and [environmental innovation](#).

Additionally, Valhalla actively participates in [collaborative philanthropy](#) efforts through [The Audacious Project](#) and [Blue Meridian Partners](#).

Scott and Signe—the sole Trustees of Valhalla—have already committed over \$700 million, are proud signatories of [The Giving Pledge](#), and are passionate about the idea of “giving while living.” Therefore, the Foundation’s lean grant-making team works with focused attention to investigate who is achieving outcomes in designated issue areas, invest millions of dollars in those leaders and their solutions, and accelerate the impact and scale of those models.

True to its founders, Valhalla applies a data-driven and highly rigorous approach to grant-making and also provides ongoing non-monetary support to help portfolio organizations scale their impact. Examples of these services include connections to other funders, goal-setting and strategy assistance, strengthening hiring processes, strengthening board practices and recruitment, executive coaches to help leaders with specific challenges, and candid feedback and moral support.

Learn more at www.valhalla.org.

THE OPPORTUNITY AND KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Valhalla is seeking a Summer Associate to dive into the evolving world of artificial intelligence (“AI”) and its impact on K-12 education. Reporting to Nancy Lue, who leads Valhalla’s work in K-12 education and data literacy, this role offers a unique opportunity to influence the future of Valhalla’s K-12 strategy and portfolio. Key responsibilities include:

- **Landscape Research:** Conduct thorough and analytical research into AI's current and potential uses in K-12 education. This will involve identifying trends, challenges, and opportunities, particularly those that can improve teacher effectiveness and classroom instruction. Activities will include comprehensive desk research and engaging with various educational stakeholders through interviews.

- **Synthesize of Learnings from Current Grantees:** Glean and distill data, insights, and learning from current Valhalla K-12 education grantees regarding their current and anticipated use of AI to advance their missions.
- **Strategy and Learning Agenda Development:** Explore the implications of AI for Valhalla's philanthropic strategies, including grantmaking and mission-related investing, focusing on how Valhalla can have the greatest impact. Develop perspectives on the key challenges and opportunities facing the field and a learning agenda to guide Valhalla's future exploration of AI.
- **Board Engagement:** Support Valhalla leadership in organizing a board learning session on AI in K-12 education, including planning the agenda and developing pre-reading materials with invited AI and education experts.

CANDIDATE PROFILE

Valhalla seeks a candidate experienced in K-12 education and deeply interested in the intersection of education and artificial intelligence. The ideal candidate will be a collaborative team player, eager to learn and grow, and passionate about making a social impact. Desired qualifications include:

- **Professional Experience:** Hands-on experience in K-12 education, encompassing teaching and leadership roles. Experience with AI initiatives is highly desirable.
- **Research Acumen:** Familiarity with the latest K-12 educational research, trends, and key influencers in the field.
- **Analytical Skills:** Strong capability in data analysis and deriving meaningful insights from research.
- **Communication:** Exceptional skills in both written and oral communication.
- **Passion for Impact:** A demonstrated commitment to social change and making a positive impact in the educational sector.
- **Learning Orientation:** Openness to feedback and a strong desire for continuous learning and improvement.
- **Team Player:** An approachable, collegial attitude and a propensity to work effectively in team settings.
- **Productivity and Initiative:** A proven record of being highly productive, proactive, and a self-starter.

COMPENSATION AND LOCATION

This full-time, temporary, exempt position offers compensation of \$13,000 for ten weeks and is not eligible for health or retirement benefits.

The Valhalla team operates on a hybrid schedule, working remotely three days per week and at our Woodside, California office two days per week.

COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

Valhalla is an equal-opportunity employer committed to hiring and developing a diverse team, and we encourage all interested candidates to apply. Valhalla centers diversity, equity, and inclusion in the decisions we make and in how we work together internally and with our grantees. This explicit DEI focus furthers our mission of driving measurable and meaningful improvements in outcomes that matter and specifically breaks the predictive power of race, gender, class, income, and other forms of marginalization.

TO APPLY

To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter outlining your qualifications and interest in the position to My Johnson at info@valhalla.org.