Office of Residence Life
Summer Assistant – Position Description
Summer 2021

Position Summary
Summer Assistants are a vital component of Residence Life Camp and Conference Operations. Each summer the residence halls at UWL host thousands of guests. Summer Assistants handle a wide range of tasks all centered on providing radical hospitality to all of our conference participants, campers, and summer students. Job responsibilities include linen distribution, cleaning and preparing residence hall rooms for guests, overseeing group check-ins and check-outs, working desk shifts, and participating in a duty rotation. The Summer Assistant works alongside other residence life student and professional staff under the direction of the Residence Life Leadership Team member assigned to manage conferences.

Specific duties
- Participate in training and work during the week following the end of the academic spring semester.
- Attend daily meetings with supervisors to discuss incoming groups and their specific requirements.
- Complete daily work assignments.
- Work with a team in preparing the residence halls for each conference arrival and departure.
- Clean and prepare resident rooms for conference guests by stripping beds, changing linens, delivering guest room amenities and general cleaning.
- Perform necessary maintenance in the resident rooms such as testing smoke detectors, changing lights and reporting maintenance problems.
- Collect and process lost and found articles from conference groups.
- Deliver and remove refrigerators, fans and extra beds to/from conference rooms as needed. Note: items that are hand-delivered are no more than 50 pounds.
- Weekly loading and unloading of the linen truck. Deliver bulk linen supplies to the storage rooms in Eagle and Reuter Hall.
- Keep counts of dirty linens and linen deliveries for reporting and billing purposes.
- Be available to work early mornings, evenings, weekends, long and irregular hours and be "on call"
- Working front desk for guest services in Eagle and Reuter Hall.
- Assist in covering the reception desk at the Office of Residence Life.
- Serve in a duty for emergency response for specific camps and conferences.
- Any other duties requested by the Coordinator for Conferences and Facilities, or other Residence Life staff.
- Potentially provide focused leadership for an assigned area of specialty (scheduling, desk operations, linen management).

General qualifications and eligibility
The requirements of this position are not compatible with taking classes in the summer. Therefore, preference in hiring will be given to applicants who are not taking summer classes (on-line classes taken on one’s own time are okay). To be eligible for consideration, Summer Assistant candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Be available to work from May 17, 2021 through August 23, 2021. Fall 2021 residence hall staff will
be released early for training. Schedule is subject to change due to specific camps’ itineraries.

- Be an enrolled student at a UW System school
- Be in good conduct standing at UWL
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Exhibit a solid work ethic
- Be able to work well with other people
- Demonstrate ability to work independently of a supervisor
- Have a general knowledge of Residence Life
- Possess good leadership, communication, organizational, and time management skills
- Preference will be given to applicants with some Residence Life job experience (DA, AHK, DC, RA, AA)

Previous employment in any summer conference position does not guarantee future employment in that same position or any position.

Pay rate
Compensation for work performed will be $9.00 per hour. Returning Summer Assistants will receive an additional $.25 an hour for each summer of prior residence life experience.

Housing
A single room in Reuter Hall is offered to all summer staff while on contract.

Contract period
The dates of employment are May 17, 2021 through August 23, 2021.

Additional Notes
- 40 hours per week is possible for some weeks, but is not guaranteed. An average of 20-30 hours per week is typical for SAs, based on the amount of camps and conferences hosted.
- Summer Assistants must be able to work through the entire contract period.
- You may have other employment outside of UWL, if approved by your supervisor. Hours scheduled for the Summer Assistant position have priority over outside jobs.
- Work will continue after the closure of summer conferences in order to prepare residence halls for the return of students for the academic year. Employees will not be released from their summer employment contract early unless they are fall residence hall staff who must leave early for training.