

## **Resident Assistant**

### **FAQ**

**What are the steps to become an RA?** Please refer to the Event Calendar on our Website for more details about each step. If you have any time conflicts, please reach out to Emily Paradise.

**What are the time commitments for being an RA?** RA time commitments can consist of staff meetings, 1:1s, duty shifts, trainings, opening/closing room checks, creating programs for your residents, etc. You can hear more about time commitments from current RAs during New RA Info Sessions and are always welcome to ask current RAs for more details.

**Can I apply to be an RA and an OA?** Yes, but if you are chosen for both, you must select one.

**Can I apply to be an RA and be in SSIR?** Yes, but if you are chosen for both, you may have to select one (unless you are one of the RAs placed in South).

**Can I apply to be an RA in the apartments or an HR?** No, you must have served as an RA for at least one semester prior to applying to be a Head Resident or Apartment RA.

**Can I apply to be an RA if I plan to study abroad during the next academic year?** Yes, but you must be able to serve as an RA for a minimum of one full semester. Preference is given to those that can serve for a full year.

**Do RAs get paid?** Yes, the RA position is paid. Each RA is compensated for 15 hours of work per week, according to the tiered system of pay set by Student Employment. Please visit the Student Employment website for more information.

**Do RAs get free room & board?** No, RAs are required to pay for their room & board. RAs do not get a discount on room and board, but will pay a flat rate based on the style of residence hall (traditional/suite/apartment). Students selected to be RAs must pay the housing deposit by the established deadline.

**Do RAs have roommates/suitemates?** All RA rooms in the residence halls are single rooms. If you are placed in a suite, you will have the ability to select your suitemate(s). If you do not choose your suitemate(s) or have the ability to fill the suite, the available space(s) will be available for students to select during the housing selection process. Any available space is subject to being used by RLH. Please note that any chosen suitemate must be eligible for housing and have completed each step of the housing application.

**If I am selected to be an RA, do I get to choose which hall community I work with?** No, but you will be encouraged to share your preferences during the interview process. The final decision about housing placement will be left to the RLH staff.