

Resident Assistant Information Session



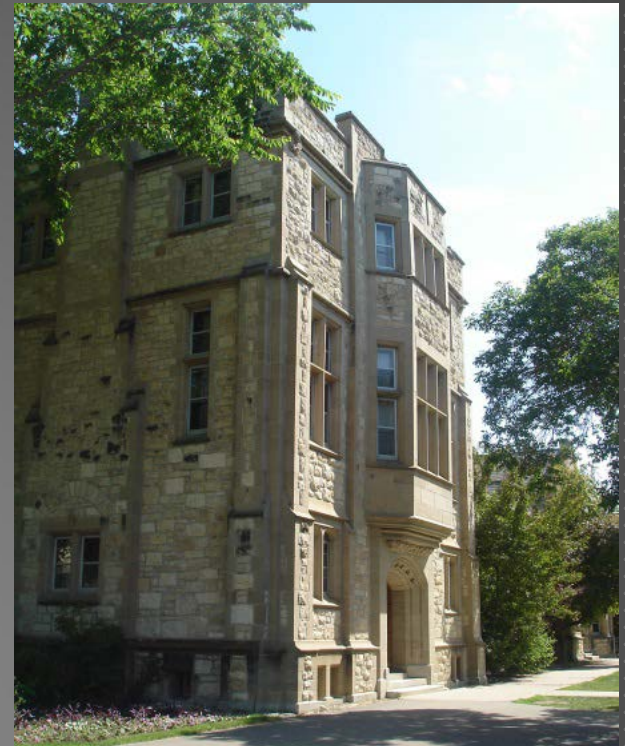
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What is an RA?

- ▶ A student who has lived in Residence for at least one semester who
 - ▶ Supports and works towards wellbeing of Residents
 - ▶ Is a resource for academic, social and personal matters
 - ▶ Is a positive role model in the Residence and wider university community as well as in the virtual world
 - ▶ Promotes and enforces Community Standards
 - ▶ Maintains a high level of resident awareness
 - ▶ Displays strong dedication to community development

Why Be a Resident Assistant (RA)?

- ▶ It is a great learning opportunity
- ▶ Gain experience in areas such as:
 - ▶ Leadership
 - ▶ Professional Development
 - ▶ Being a positive role model
 - ▶ Being an active team member
 - ▶ Community Building – a chance to give back



What does the job look like?

- ▶ It is your primary extra-curricular activity
- ▶ Responsibilities include:
 - ▶ Maintaining reasonable availability to residents
 - ▶ Designing and implementing programming
 - ▶ Enforcing Residence Community Standards
 - ▶ Completing regular duty shifts
 - ▶ Attending weekly RA meetings
 - ▶ Performing lock-outs for students in your Residence
 - ▶ Completing administrative tasks

RA Alternates

- ▶ Limited number of RA positions available
- ▶ Alternates important to continuity of program
- ▶ Attend training and are available and willing to step into the role as needed
- ▶ Two weeks of high quality training on broad variety of topics

Hiring Process

- ▶ Application Package
 - ▶ Apply to RA in any of the Residence areas
- ▶ Group Interview
- ▶ Individual Interview
- ▶ Decisions
 - ▶ Offered permanent position
 - ▶ Offered alternate position

*We will communicate with you either way at all stages of the process

Timeline

▶ Application

- ▶ Due Monday, February 22nd at 4.30pm
- ▶ Late and incomplete applications will **NOT** be considered

▶ Group Interview

- ▶ Attend one of the available sessions indicated on application form

▶ Individual Interview

- ▶ Scheduled late-February to early March

▶ Team Announcement

- ▶ March

▶ Welcome Meeting

- ▶ April



How Do I Apply?

- ▶ Application packages available:

- ▶ Online – livewithus.usask.ca
- ▶ Main Residence Office – 128 Saskatchewan Hall
- ▶ RA Offices

- ▶ Applications can be submitted to:

- ▶ Main Residence Office – 128 Saskatchewan Hall
- ▶ RA Office/ Coordinator Office in your area
- ▶ Via email to ra.hire@usask.ca



RA Training

- ▶ Scheduled for mid to late August
- ▶ Attendance is mandatory for the duration
- ▶ Covers wide range of important themes for the role
 - ▶ Conflict resolution
 - ▶ Diversity
 - ▶ Community development
 - ▶ Student support and development
 - ▶ Residence Community Standards
 - ▶ On- and off-campus resources
- ▶ Training valuable beyond Residence and university

Questions?

Check the website:

<http://livewithus.usask.ca/> -> Student Life Experience -> Becoming an RA

OR

Email ra.hire@usask.ca

OR

Email Your Coordinator

OR

Talk to your RA!



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