

2021 Fall Welcome Ambassador

Position Description

The Office of Student Transitions (OST) emphasizes career readiness competencies set forth by the National Association of Colleges and Employers. Competencies necessary for this position and skills that peer leaders can expect to gain/improve throughout their positions in OST are: critical thinking/problem solving, oral/written communications, teamwork/collaboration, digital technology, leadership, professionalism/work ethic, career management and global/intercultural fluency.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Facilitate a small group of first-year students
- Encourage positive student interactions
- Acquaint new students with campus services, activities, and facilities
- Assist with various aspects of program implementation
- Foster the development of WMU pride
- Be a positive role model to incoming students
- Complete a formal evaluation of the Fall Welcome program

QUALIFICATIONS

- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to relate well with students, parents, faculty, and administrators
- Commitment to Western Michigan University
- Demonstrate interest in helping others
- Good organizational skills and flexibility
- 2.50 minimum grade point average at the time of application
- Enrolled in undergraduate or graduate classes at WMU during Fall 2020
- Ability to work as an effective and productive team member
- Good disciplinary standing with the University
- Must be available to participate in all training sessions
- Cannot be a Bronco Buddy or Resident Assistant (R.A.) due to schedule conflicts

BENEFITS

- Early move-in for all Ambassadors living on campus
- Free meals for all Ambassadors during in-person training and Fall Welcome Week
- Free Fall Welcome and WMU attire
- Free training in all areas related to Fall Welcome
- Fall Welcome Ambassadors will receive a \$150 bookstore gift card

TIME COMMITMENT

- Complete online training materials prior to training weekend*
- Attend Fall Welcome Ambassador training, August 23 – 25, 2021
- Participate in all Fall Welcome activities, August 26 – August 31, 2021

2021 Fall Welcome Ambassador Information

Thank you for your interest in the Fall Welcome Ambassador position. We are excited to begin the selection of our team of undergraduate student leaders for this program. This position is responsible for introducing and acclimating first-year students to Western Michigan University.

What is the Fall Welcome program all about?

Fall Welcome is a transition program designed to build connections between first-year students and the WMU community. The goal of Fall Welcome is to help first-year students with their academic and social transition to college life at Western Michigan University. This program will build on the foundation created during New Student Orientation.

How will Fall Welcome benefit me as a WMU student?

Making connections throughout your college experience is crucial for success. As a Fall Welcome Ambassador, you will have the opportunity to make and enhance connections with the faculty, staff, and a variety of students from the WMU community. In addition, Ambassadors will develop skills in group problem solving, conflict resolution, interpersonal communication, and team building. Fall Welcome will also provide students with the opportunity to interact with a diverse population of students, fostering skills important for future employment.