

# Residence Life Student Leader Description

## Resident Assistant (RA) Scholarship Requirements

Resident assistants (RA) are an integral part of the student experience on campus. RAs are assigned to a residence hall or apartment building serving 30-70 students in their hall or building. Their responsibilities include being a resident educator, community builder and providing on-call support. This is achieved through inviting residents into their everyday life and building intentional relationships with those on their floor or in their building. RAs also play a role in planning events, supporting and helping residents as well as taking care of everyday housing issues. The RA scholarship covers room costs and a base meal plan; the RA scholarship is exempt from the scholarship cap.

## RA Scholarship Requirements

- Be available Monday nights from 8 - 10 pm for RA staff meetings. Also, provide availability for one-on-one meetings with their resident directors Monday through Friday between 9 am - 5 pm.
- Attend all training, check-in/check out dates and student leadership retreats.
- Assist with resident and building care through creation of educational events, weekly and weekend on-call support, incident documentation and health and safety inspections.
- Be a full-time, traditional student at Grand Canyon University.
- Demonstrate a maturing Christian faith and commitment to the mission and standards of Grand Canyon University.
- Have lived at GCU for a minimum of one semester.
- Have obtained at least sophomore status at Grand Canyon University by the time the position starts.
- Limit outside time commitments to 20 hours per week (including all jobs and volunteer work).
- Routinely check their my.gcu.edu email.
- Meet all general Student Affairs student leader requirements.

## RA Reference Form

All first-time applicants for the RA position must have a reference form completed by their RA from the 2015-16 school year. Refer to the RA application for specific instructions on the RA reference form.

*Student groups such as ROTC, theater majors, athletes, student teachers and debate team typically have schedules that conflict with the time needed to fully complete the RA scholarship position. Prior to applying online, email [residencelife@gcu.edu](mailto:residencelife@gcu.edu) to confirm eligibility to apply by stating your name, contact information and general schedule requirements for the 2016-2017 school year.*

*Please note that students are only eligible for one leadership position (i.e. a student cannot be an RA as well as a member of the worship team).*