



RESIDENTIAL LIFE

2025 One Summer Residence Hall Assistant Position Description

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Position Summary

The One Summer Residence Hall Assistant (OSA) is an “at will” student assistant position. Appointments are made on a temporary basis. The OSA’s primary responsibility is to support summer school residents and conference guests’ needs. The OSA’s main duties are to prepare and organize various elements of housing for summer school residents and conference groups as well as provide service. The OSA’s work schedule is dependent on demand for hall facilities. Schedules will vary weekly and will include mandatory dates and shifts fluctuating in length based on check-in/check-out needs.

Position Qualifications

1. Candidates must demonstrate the ability to interact with summer school residents and/or conference guests in a positive and professional manner.
2. Candidates must be able to work both independently and in a team setting.
3. Candidates must have an understanding of and ability to work with a diverse population. This requirement includes an appreciation of and sensitivity to those of differing abilities, cultural backgrounds, ethnicities, gender, sex, sexual orientation, socio-economic standing, and spiritual beliefs.
4. The role of the OSA involves ethical decision-making, and we expect our OSAs to hold summer residents/guests accountable for responsible behavior. Upholding Responsibilities of Community Life: The Student Code and the On-Campus Housing Contract is a vital component of the OSA position. OSAs must present a positive image of the University at all times by following policies set forth by the University of Connecticut and the Department of Residential Life as well as upholding state and federal laws.
5. Candidates who are on university conduct probation at the time of application review are not eligible to interview. Candidates who were found responsible for two separate university conduct incidents in the current academic year are not eligible to interview. Candidates with a university conduct history who are otherwise eligible to interview will be subject to review. Candidates will be notified of their eligibility after final review.
6. At the time of application, candidates must be a current student at the University of Connecticut. A candidate must be considered a matriculating student by the University for either the summer or fall of 2025.
7. Candidates must have been a Storrs campus student for at least one semester at the time of employment start date.
8. OSAs must be in good academic standing (minimum 2.0 GPA) at the time of application and at the end of the spring 2025 semester.
9. Any candidates who were previously, or are currently, employed by the Department of Residential Life must be in good employment standing and remain in good employment standing through the position timeframe. This standing will be determined in consultation with the current or previous supervisor(s).
10. To be eligible for consideration, candidates must be available for the entire employment period (May 13, 2025– August 24, 2025). OSAs who will be S/RAs in the fall are excused from their summer contract when S/RA fall training begins.
11. Candidates must be available for an individual interview (scheduled in January or February)

12. Candidates must be able to lift a minimum of 25 pounds.
13. If hired, candidates must be willing to work 15 – 40 hours a week in addition to overnights (on-call) dependent on conference needs.
14. Previous residence hall or other customer service experience is preferred.

Primary Responsibilities

1. Work at a One Summer or main desk (the main office is open 7:00 am – 11:00 pm every day, additional offices hours vary dependent on need) and be available to conference guests, answer phones, complete paperwork, check keys and floor plans, maintain cleanliness, and other administrative tasks as assigned.
2. Serve as a monitor for game rooms and classrooms, where applicable, while in use by summer residents and conference guests. Prepare halls that will be utilized for One Summer, including but not limited to: create bulletin boards, check keys in the locks, submit facility/maintenance needs, and create/post signs.
3. Facilitate conversations and programmatic opportunities for summer school students through the Residential Learning Model (RLM).
4. Assist with check-in and check-out procedures for summer residents and conference guests; prepare/distribute keys, collect and organize keys, answer questions, etc.
5. Prepare halls for Fall Opening by assessing building wide facility needs and preparing all residential keys for opening.
6. Work overnight duties (approximately 25-30) instances from **11:00 pm – 8:00 am**.
 - a. Duties include, but are not limited to: securing buildings, performing rounds, interacting with residents/conference guests, documenting incidents as needed etc.
7. Serve as a primary point of contact for students and summer guests in emergency or safety situations.
8. Holding summer guests responsible for their actions by documentation of behavior that violates University or Department Standards by addressing and reporting all issues related to safety, wellbeing, facilities and emergencies by following Residential Life and University protocols.
9. Work checkouts of all late stay spring residents and check-ins of Early Arrivals.
10. Expected to work fall 2025 check-in through opening weekend August 21-24.
11. Work with various software platforms.
12. All other duties as assigned.

Compensation

1. Housing will be provided at no cost for the **14-week employment**. One Summer Assistants will usually be assigned a single bedroom. This compensation applies to the 25-30 instances of overnight duties and scheduled meetings.
2. First year One Summer Assistants will be paid **\$16.50 per hour**. Returning OSAs are paid a higher rate.
3. **The OSA must purchase a summer meal plan for the designated time established by Residential Life. This is typically from the start date of the position to through the 2nd week of August. The cost of the Monday-Friday meal plan will be paid for in its entirety during the time period of start date through the first week of August. This compensation also applies to the 25-30 instances of overnight duties and scheduled meetings.**

Terms and Conditions of Employment

1. Successful candidates will be offered “at will” employment as an OSA for a **16-week time period**. At-will employment means that the employer has the right to terminate an employee from the position at any time, with or without cause, and the employee has the same right to resign from the position at any time, with or without cause. The Department of Residential Life reserves the right to terminate this position and all compensation at any point based on failure to meet required performance standards.
 - **If a returning OSA did not fulfill the terms and conditions of employment in previous summers, they may be ineligible to return to the role.**
2. Candidates who receive an offer and who have accepted the offer by pre-determined dates that will be given based on candidate interview date, must apply for One Summer Housing via

www.reslife.uconn.edu by April 14, 2025.

3. Grades will be checked at the conclusion of the semester(s) prior to the submission of the application and just prior to employment to determine eligibility. Inter-session and Summer Session(s) coursework will not be considered for the purposes of maintaining the required grade point averages.
4. All offers are subject to a pre-employment criminal background check.
5. **If hired, the applicant must be able to complete a virtual on-boarding session of 3-4 hours by May 2, 2025.**
6. OSAs must be available for frequent evening, weekend, and holiday work. This includes all major holidays in the summer.
7. Outside employment is only approved on a case-by-case basis after meeting with a professional staff member. Other part time work must be requested prior to employment
 - **OSAs who choose to work another job at UConn or with the State of CT can only work a total of 40 hours per week across all positions with the expectation that hours for the OSA position are prioritized**
8. Summer school course enrollment must be requested before employment. No more than one course per summer session may be approved including online classes. May term classes will NOT be approved.
9. The weekly scheduled hours will fluctuate to meet summer school and conference needs. Weeks may require up to as many as 35- 40 work hours, therefore, the OSA must be flexible. Overtime hours will never be approved.
10. An OSA must be available for the entire stipulated contract period and reside in the assigned areas as outlined in the appointment letter. The contract period is for 16 weeks. The dates include training periods, set up and breakdown of the residence halls, and applicable on- duty periods.
11. OSAs may request up to 7 days off from the position for the summer. All days off must be approved in advance in written communication by the supervisor and the day cannot be on a high-volume day, as determined by the supervisor.
12. The behavior of each OSA, as a member of the University community, will be periodically evaluated during their employment in keeping with the duties and responsibilities of the job description, *Responsibilities of Community Life: The Student Code*, the *On- Campus Housing Contract* and their behavior in accordance with ethical guidelines and departmental expectations. Upon acceptance of the offer, the Department of Residential Life will review any incident in which an OSA was involved and may have demonstrated a lack of understanding of or willingness to abide by these terms.

At the University, equal employment opportunity (EEO) means nondiscrimination in employment policies and practices. The University is committed to ensuring that individual employees and applicants are not excluded from participation in the employment process based on an individual's legally protected status which includes race, color, ethnicity, religious creed, age, sex (including pregnancy and sexual harassment), marital status, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, genetic information, physical or mental disabilities (including learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, past/present history of a mental disorder), prior conviction of a crime (or similar characteristic), veteran status, status as a victim of domestic violence, workplace hazards to reproductive systems, gender identity or expression, or other factors which cannot lawfully be the basis for employment actions, unless there is a bona fide occupational qualification. 10/03/2022

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