

International Ambassador

THE IMPORTANCE OF STUDENT LEADERS AT KNOX

Student leaders play a vital role in shaping the Knox College experience. While our leadership opportunities are diverse, each has the common goal of enhancing campus life, complementing the academic experience, and upholding the College's values of critical thinking, inclusivity, respect and support. Student leaders are able to affect change on campus through mentoring, advocacy, peer education and program development. They experience the fulfillment of service as well as the added benefit of marketable skills such as communication, conflict resolution, and time management.

Overview

International Ambassadors play an important role in supporting prospective, incoming, and new international students as they explore Knox, apply to the College, and become members of our community. Ambassadors work as public representatives of the College, and therefore we select students with strong personal character, knowledge of the Knox experience, and a genuine interest in helping prospective, incoming, and new international students make an informed college choice and successful transition to Knox. These positions are challenging and demanding; prospective and incoming students tell us that they place great value on their communication with current students. The OISS office is intentional about supporting International Ambassadors in reaching their full potential as leaders by providing leadership opportunities and feedback to develop their leadership skills.

Responsibilities

- Welcome new international students and assist with move-in at the start of each term.
- Assist with planning and facilitation of international orientation programs and programming throughout the academic year to support current international students.
- Manage the international flags, including the Alumni Hall display and flag.
- Communicate with prospective students by email or other electronic platform and engage in personalized, genuine communication with students and their parents about the experience of international students at Knox.
- Assist with administrative duties and other OISS projects as necessary.
- Hours are flexible, but generally available for up to 5 hours/week during academic terms. For International Ambassadors remaining on campus during winter and spring vacation, limited



hours may also be available during those periods for program planning about different religious and non-religious perspectives.

Qualifications

- Good academic standing throughout the year.
- Successful completion of IDIS 130: Introduction to Leadership course (taught during spring term) required.
- Enthusiasm for interacting with prospective students and welcoming new students.
- Excellent organizational and time management skills, attention to detail, and ability to collaborate with others.

Compensation

- Students will be paid a \$300 stipend for fall orientation work. During the academic year, this is an hourly position with compensation of \$15/hour.
- Early access to assigned residence hall room and some meals prior to fall term for training and work during the International Pre-Orientation Program (IPOP) and Admission training.