

Freshmen LEAD & Task Force Freshmen 2013-2014

Application to the 2013-2014 Freshmen LEAD and Task Force Freshmen programs will be collaboration between the Office of Civic Engagement, Leadership, & Service and the Student Government Association. These leadership programs offer unique personal development experiences to freshmen at UofL. Incoming freshmen will submit only one application to be considered for the programs. Students will have the opportunity to interview for both programs, but may choose to only interview for one. Acceptance to the program is exclusive. **Students cannot be accepted to both.** We ask that students consider their interest and goals when filling out the application and ranking their program preference. **Acceptance to each program is extremely competitive.**

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Content of Completed Application
 - Interview
 - Letter of Interest
 - Perceived Interest in the Program(s)
 - Ability to complete the program requirements (schedule, etc.)
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Freshmen LEAD

The Freshmen LEAD program brings a leadership development and mentoring experience for first year students at the University of Louisville. Students are introduced to leadership skills that expand their social networks and broaden their horizon to meeting a dynamic group of friends, which promotes a sense of community and encourages students to build upon their leadership potential. Participants lay the foundation for their leadership journey in the first year of the program, Freshmen LEAD, and prepare to put their leadership into action during the second year of their experience as a REACH ambassador (competitive admittance) after completion of the Freshmen LEAD program.

Task Force Freshmen

The Task Force Freshmen program is the SGA Executive Branch mentoring program. These students will be assigned to one of the members of the Executive Branch of SGA and be given the title of "Task Force Freshman." However, this does not mean you will be running errands or getting coffee! Instead, you will work alongside those students in the highest student government positions and be trained to excel as a representative of SGA. The program will include leadership seminars, networking opportunities, and hands-on experience working with SGA officers.



*The LEAD & TFF Retreat will be the evening of Friday, September 27th through Saturday, September 28th.

2013-2014 Freshmen LEAD Program Details

Learning Outcomes

Participant will be able to:

- Gain the skills necessary to develop personal leadership philosophy and style
- Articulate how personal Strengths guide one's decision-making
- Identify relevance in strengths, styles, and viewpoints other than one's own through a speaker series, group projects, discussions, and observations
- Relate learned skills with other leadership opportunities on and off campus
- Build relationships with and network with peers and community leaders

Program Requirements

- Attend all bi-monthly LEAD meetings
- Attend fall and springs retreats
- Attend one focus group meeting per semester
- Attend one (1) campus event (non-Greek) per semester
- Attend one (1) community event per semester
- Attend any combination of two (2) of the following per semester:
 - SGA senate, council, or committee meetings
 - SAB board meetings
 - ELSB "Make A Difference" Days
- Attend both (2) LEAD/REACH socials (kickball and dodgeball)
- Attend one (1) REACH Ambassador event per semester
- Connect with your REACH Mentor
- Complete the "Profiles in Leadership" team service project
- Satisfactorily complete and turn in all monthly reflections

LEAD Schedule

All scheduled meetings are from 3pm-5pm on Sunday afternoons. Dates and times are subject to change. Attendance at meetings, retreats, and socials is considered a program requirement.

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| ● September 4 (Wed) 5:00pm | Applications Due |
| ● September 5 – 6 (Thurs-Fri) | Interviews |
| ● September 9 – 10 (Mon-Tues) | Interviews |
| ● September 15 (Sun) | Meeting 1 – Networking and Connecting with Cathe Dykstra |
| ● September 27 –28 (Fri-Sat) | LEAD Fall Retreat |
| ● October 1 (Tues) | REACH Leadership Event (12:30pm-2pm) |
| ● October 11 (Fri 3pm-5pm) | LEAD/TFF/REACH Kickball Social |
| ● October 13 (Sun) | Meeting 2 – Student Leader Roundtables |
| ● October 27 (Sun) | Meeting 3 – Résumé Workshop and Service Projects |
| ● November 10 (Sun) | Meeting 4 – Downtown Louisville Tour (2pm-5pm) |
| ● November 24 (Sun) | Meeting 5 – Thriving with Harry Pickens |
| ● December 8 (Sun) | Meeting 6 – End of Semester Send-Off |
| ● January 11 (Sat 9am-4pm) | LEAD Spring Retreat |
| ● January 26 (Sun) | Meeting 7 |
| ● February 7 (Fri 3pm-5pm) | LEAD/TFF/REACH Dodge Ball Social |
| ● February 9 (Sun) | Meeting 8 |
| ● February 23 (Sun) | Meeting 9 |
| ● March 2 (Sun) | Meeting 10 |
| ● March 4 (Tues) | REACH Leadership Event (12:30pm-2pm) |
| ● March 25 (Tues) | Student Leadership Banquet |



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2013-2014 Task Force Freshmen Program Details

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Participant will be able to:

- Clearly define their leadership philosophy and style
- Identify relevance in guest speaker key points to their development as an SGA leader
- Effectively execute project initiatives and examine campus issues with peers and campus leaders
- Understand what SGA does and opportunities to remain involved in SGA throughout undergraduate career
- Relate learned skills with campus, community, and future SGA leadership opportunities

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Attend bi-weekly TFF meetings
- Attend both (2) the fall and spring retreat
- Attend both (2) TFF/Freshman Lead/REACH socials
- Attend One-on-One meeting with TFF Coordinator each semester
- Attend assigned SGA Senate meetings
- Work with a team to develop and implement a campus impact project that aligns with SGA's 2020 Goals
- Accept mentorship from an SGA officer
- Plan weekly SGA shadowing hours with mentor
- Maintain a monthly reflection

TFF 2013-2014 SCHEDULE

All scheduled meetings are from 5-7 p.m. on Monday afternoons. Dates and times are subject to change. Attendance at meetings, retreats, and events is considered a program requirement.

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| ● September 4 (Wed) 5:00pm | Applications Due |
| ● September 5 –6 (Thurs-Fri) | Interviews |
| ● September 9 – 10 (Mon-Tues) | Interviews |
| ● September 16 (Mon) | Meeting 1- UofL's SGA 101/Mentor Match |
| ● September 27-28 (Fri-Sat) | TFF Fall Retreat |
| ● September 30 (Mon) | Meeting 2- Strengths/Impact Projects |
| ● October 11 (Fri) | TFF/Lead/REACH Ambassadors Social (3-5pm) |
| ● October 14 (Mon) | Meeting 3-Intro to SGA Legislative Branch |
| ● October 28 (Mon) | Meeting 4-Intro to SGA Executive Branch |
| ● November 13 (Wed) | Meeting 5-Intro to SGA Judicial Branch |
| ● November 25 (Mon) | Meeting 6-TBA |
| ● December 9 (Mon) | Meeting 7 –So you want to be SGA President? |
| ● January 11 (Sat) | TFF Spring Retreat |
| ● January 27 (Mon) | Meeting 8 |
| ● February 7 (Fri) | TFF/Lead/REACH Social (3-5pm) |
| ● February 10 (Mon) | Meeting 9 |
| ● February 24 (Mon) | Meeting 10 |
| ● March 3 (Mon) | Meeting 11 |
| ● March 17 (Mon) | Meeting 12 |
| ● April | SGA Banquet |



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Freshmen LEAD & Task Force Freshmen APPLICATION 2013-2014

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NAME

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____

Preferred Name _____ Date of Birth ____/____/19____

Student ID # _____ Student Login _____ (ex. acard01, eksmit03)

Campus/Local Phone () _____ Local Address _____

Major _____ Are you living on campus this fall? Yes No

High School _____ H.S. City _____ H.S. GPA _____

Cell Phone () _____ Louisville Email Address _____

Permanent Address (street) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

I am interested in both Task Force Freshmen and Freshmen LEAD? Yes No

Please rank: ____ Freshmen LEAD ____ Task Force Freshmen
(1- Most interest; 2- Secondary Interest; X- if not interested)

Have you read or are you currently reading the UofL Book in Common, *This I Believe*? Yes / No

INITIAL THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS

- I understand that attendance to the retreat is a requirement to remain in TFF or LEAD and non-attendance could impact my acceptance into the programs.* _____ (initial)
- I understand that I must successfully complete all program requirements and have a positive evaluation from the TFF or LEAD director and advisors. _____ (initial)
- I understand that I must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 to remain in the TFF or LEAD program. _____ (initial)

DEADLINE TO APPLY: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2013 BY 5:00 P.M.

Please bring completed applications to the Student Involvement Office, SAC W310

A completed application includes:

1. **Application form**
2. **Letter of Interest**

Write a 1-page essay describing your reasons for applying to the Freshmen LEAD or Task Force Freshmen program and what you can contribute.

3. **Current résumé**

Include High School activities and awards

If you have any questions, please contact
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