



Residents Involved in Service Experiences

Dear UVM Residential Student,

We are thrilled at your interest in the newest service program here at The University of Vermont. Our university is well known for its commitment to social awareness and civic engagement. In the recently released book, Colleges with a Conscience (2005), UVM was among the top 81 schools in the nation featured due to our strong reputation and history of service. By becoming a RISE Coordinator, you will be a part of a long standing tradition at UVM.

The goals of the RISE program are to:

- Actively promote and support service-learning and civic engagement among UVM's residential communities;
- Promote the personal, intellectual, and leadership development of students;
- Prepare students to live, work and serve in a diverse world, while promoting the inclusion and participation of members from diverse populations in service experiences; and
- Strengthen the relationship between UVM and Vermont communities.

RISE Coordinators will be expected to:

- Attend a one-day training on service-learning project planning (date TBA);
- Attend weekly Tuesday night educational, leadership and planning meetings with advisor, Mel;
- Plan and implement 1-2 service projects within your complex per semester (with support and guidance);
- Attend UVM Serve-A-Thon on September 16th, 2006 in Billings Student Center; and
- Have fun while generating enthusiasm for service!

Through your commitment to RISE you will:

- Gain leadership and organizational skills;
- Make new friends interested in community service and civic engagement;
- Become connected to the Burlington community;
- Get free food and a t-shirt;
- Start building your resume; and
- Promote a campus culture of service!

****Please fill out the attached application and turn it in to the Student Life office in Billings Student Center, 4th floor by Friday, September 15th, 2006.**

If you have questions or want additional information, please contact:

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Leadership Application

Personal Information:

Name: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Local Address (School): _____

Local Phone: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Permanent Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Academic Unit and Major: _____

Application:

Please answer these questions as completely as possible. Use the back or another sheet of paper if necessary.

1. Please briefly explain your motivation for applying to be a RISE Coordinator.

2. Please describe the roles you have played in any clubs, organizations, or other activities that have provided you with leadership experience? (note, you do not have to have had be a club president to exercise leadership skills)

3. What does community service mean to you?

4. How would your friends describe you?

5. If you were able to organize any type of service event in your residential hall, what would be your first choice?

Please return this application to the Student Life Office in Billings Student Center, 4th floor.
Contact Melinda in Student Life with questions or concerns: 656-2060, Melinda.Atkinson@uvm.edu.
THANK YOU!!!