

RESIDENT ASSISTANT

A Resident Assistant (RA) has the unique opportunity to influence and encourage fellow students to toward Christlikeness through example and speech, serving with a willing heart, building community, and supporting the Resident Director (RD) under the overall supervision of the Deans.

How do I know if being an RA is right for me?

An RA should be a **servant** who is characterized by the genuine presence and growth of **Christlike qualities and character**. He/she should be **above reproach** (an evident pursuit of Christlikeness in word, deed and reputation), **teachable** (a desire to follow Residence Life staff and University leadership), **loving** (a true heart for building relationships with people), **insightful and caring** (an ability to see the needs of people and to actively help meet those needs), and an **initiator** (a proven ability to courageously lead and build community among peers).

What are the RA's responsibilities?

Discipleship:

- Meet individually with your RD for guidance and accountability
- Learn the value of teamwork and team accountability
- Pursue sanctifying peer relationships with others on campus, especially within your wing

Leadership and Care:

- Oversee and lead a weekly small group
- Meet regularly with your WA(s) for collaboration in wing leadership
- Assist your RD in utilizing Wing Assistants to best serve the dorm
- Be available to consistently serve others on the wing

Training:

- Attend August training retreats and Week of Welcome (WOW)
- Attend all training meetings September through April
- Completion of summer preparation assignments

Administration:

- Communication with your RD and fellow RAs in the normal operation of your dorm
- Dorm check-ins and check-outs for each semester
- Readiness to help your RD with various tasks and relational responsibilities, including room checks, lounge and chapel duty, etc.

How many hours per week are expected for this commitment?

• The RA position is an average of 16 hours per week.

Is this a paid position?

• Yes, there is a scholarship involved.

Are you ready to apply?

- Go to <u>www.masters.edu/student-life/leadership</u> to submit your application by the deadline.
- Talk with your current RD about the opportunity.
- Be prepared for a follow-up interview with the Deans and Resident Directors.