

HC IMPACT Mentor Application Packet Preview

SECTION ONE

Thank you for your interest in becoming an IMPACT Mentor! This form will provide a brief description of the HC IMPACT program, outline the IMPACT Mentor job description & application process, and serve as the formal application. If you have any questions, please contact Program Coordinator Erika Trigg Crews (ecrews@msu.edu).

HC IMPACT Program Description

The Honors College is holding a service-learning week from Sunday, August 23 through Sunday, August 30 for 40 incoming first-year students. Student participants will live on campus in a residence hall and engage in service projects with different community-based organizations, critically reflect with one another on their experiences, and build community with other incoming first-year students.

The purpose of this week is to:

1. use a service learning model to educate students on social issues of inequity and inequality, using the particular context and challenges of our local community. Proposed focus areas include: food, education, and health/wellness;
2. instill/continue an ethic of service early in the college career;
3. model effective citizenship and leadership in one's community; and
4. develop cultural understanding through opportunities that stretch a student to move across social, economic, and cultural boundaries.

The program will extend into the academic year with connection to a first-year seminar course (UGS 101H). The class is a 2-credit course in the Fall semester focusing on topics covered during the program and provides the opportunity to continue the service experience at a local community organization working to address social inequities in the city of Lansing.

HC IMPACT Mentor Position Description

Mentors should possess an ethic of service, with clear commitment to working with MSU and the East Lansing/Lansing communities. In addition, Mentors should demonstrate a desire to work with incoming Honors College students to aid in the new students' transitions to both MSU and the Honors College.

Mentors will have the opportunity to establish relationships in the East Lansing and Lansing communities, engage with the newest members of the Honors College, and work closely with Honors College staff & faculty. Mentors will be asked to move into their on- or off-campus housing prior to the start of the program on Sunday, August 23.

During the week of service, Mentors will engage in the following activities: lead community-building activities, aid in the transportation of participants (driving vans, etc.), facilitate reflection & discussion activities, participate in service at various sites around the community, and serve as mentors for the first-year participants.

Compensation:

- \$250
- Meals provided for the week

Application Process and Timeline

The remainder of this Google Form serves as the formal application to be an IMPACT Mentor.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be planning to enroll for classes at MSU at least through Fall 2020.

Timeline:

November: Applications open

January 5 at 11:59PM: Applications close and résumés due

January 14-24: Interviews

January 24: Mentor candidates notified of selection

January 29 at 11:59PM: Deadline to accept offer

Mentor Trainings and Timeline

Individuals selected for the IMPACT Mentor role will be expected to attend all training sessions.

Please save these dates on your calendar now.

Eligibility: If offered the position, it is expected that you are available for the following training dates; participation in training is crucial to your success as a Mentor. If training dates pose a conflict in terms of your availability, there is a section below where you can explain further.

Mentor Training Dates:

Session 1: Saturday, February 8, 10AM-4PM, 207/208 Eustace-Cole Hall

Session 2: Sunday, March 15, 2-5PM, 207/208 Eustace-Cole Hall

Session 3: Sunday, April 5, 2-5PM, 207/208 Eustace-Cole Hall

Session 4: Mid-late July phone/video chat, date & time TBD based on Mentor availability

Session 5: Sunday, August 23 (1st day of IMPACT), Mentor meeting @ 12:30PM, Location TBA

SECTION TWO

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Major(s)

Minor(s)

I plan to graduate in (provide semester and year)

SECTION THREE

Why are you interested in being an IMPACT Mentor?

Why is engaging in service an important component of the first-year experience?

Please share your strengths and skills that would help with this position.

Please describe your service engagement during your time at MSU.

Please share how you've fostered an inclusive community and/or addressed social inequities. (If you were an IMPACT participant, please share an experience(s) other than the IMPACT week or UGS 101 course/service experience.)

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Are you available for all of the training dates? (Selecting "No" on the first question does not make you ineligible for consideration.)

If no, please select the training dates you are unavailable for and please explain your availability further.

SECTION FIVE

Please upload a copy of your résumé in PDF or .doc/.docx format (please do not submit Pages files).

SECTION SIX

Application Verification

Electronic Signature: I agree to allow HC staff to view academic information as part of my application to this program (type full name below).