ORIENTATION 2019

Each semester MSU coordinates several Orientation sessions to welcome new students and parents. These sessions are essential to new students—helping them gain information about, and familiarize themselves with, many facets of the University. For each of the summer Orientation sessions, the Orientation Leaders will be responsible for four days and three evenings, which includes a Sunday training session. Fall and spring Orientation session have shorter time commitments. The dates for all sessions are listed further down the page.

We are very proud that the success of our Orientation Program is due in large part to the quality, ability, and dedication of Student Orientation Leaders. Trained in such areas as communication skills, leadership and presentation of factual information, paid Orientation Leaders work closely with new freshmen, transfers, and parents. They also develop a close working relationship with MSU administrators and faculty while assisting with academic advising and the registration process.

Student Orientation Leaders should be knowledgeable about campus activities, campus life and various services offered by the University. Each leader must accept the responsibility to attend the Orientation Leader class and to work all sessions, including the Sunday trainings.

REQUIREMENTS

All interested applicants must be:

1. of freshman through graduate standing in the fall of 2018.
2. in good academic standing (preferable grade point average of 2.5 or above).
3. interested in and able to work closely with others.
4. completely committed to all training and Orientation Program dates (See dates below).

TRAINING

Leaders will participate in a training course spring semester, 2019. HLD 460, a two-credit class, meets twice a week, from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and is required of all leaders. A MANDATORY RETREAT, held from 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 25, 2019 to 12:00 p.m. Saturday, January 26, 2019, is also part of the training process.

ORIENTATION DATES AND PAYMENT:

Monday-Wednesday, June 10 - 12, 2019 (Freshman). Training on Sunday, June 10. $300 for session
Monday-Wednesday, June 24 - 26, 2019 (Freshman). Training on Sunday, June 21. $300 for session
Monday-Wednesday, July 15 - 17, 2019 (Freshman). Training on Sunday, July 12. $300 for session
Wednesday-Friday, August 19 - 23, 2019 (Fall Freshman & Transfer). Training on Tuesday, August 21. $200 for session
Monday-Tuesday, January 6 - 7, 2020 (Spring Freshman & Transfer). Training on Sunday, January 10. $70 for session

INFORMATION TABLES

There will be 5 Info Tables, where Current and former Orientation Leaders will be able to answer questions about this position and the Orientation Program:

Tuesday, October 30th, 11:00am – 1:00pm in the Union Market in the SUB
Tuesday, October 30th, 5 – 7:00pm in Miller Dining Hall
Wednesday, October 31st, 5 – 7:00pm in Rendezvous Dining Pavilion
Thursday, November 1st, 11:00am – 1:00pm in the Union Market in the SUB
Thursday, November 1st, 5 -7:00pm in Miller Dining Hall

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Tuesday, November 9 by 5:00 p.m.
Admissions Office, 201 SUB
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK

Name ___________________________ Student ID # _________________________
(first) (last)

Complete Local Address ______________________________________________________
(street) (city) (zip)

Local Phone _____________ E-mail Address _______________________________________

Hometown, State ________________________________

Birthdate _____________ # of Semesters attended at MSU __________

Current class level: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Did you transfer to MSU? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, from where? __________________________

Do you have a declared major? ______ If so, what is it? ____________________________

Overall GPA _____________ GPA last term _____________

It is preferable for leaders to have a GPA above 2.5. Please sign here to give us permission to
verify your grades online.

____________________________________
Signature

Do you plan to attend summer school? ______ Appx. # of credit hours? ______

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____________ Plans after graduation: __________________

Circle all living situations you have experienced while attending MSU:

Residence Halls Fraternity/Sorority Apartment/House Living at Home

Our student leaders often advise students from curricula other than their own. What other areas are you familiar with?

________________________________________________________________________

Who or what created your interest in this position? _____________________________

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For the application process, please be sure to complete the **THREE** following requirements:

1. Please list below extracurricular activities, leadership experiences or training and/or work experiences in which you have participated that you feel are relevant to this job.

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2. On a separate page, please do **one of the following (A or B):**

   A. Describe your Orientation experience, either here or at another university you have attended. Discuss both the positive and negative aspects of that experience. For each negative experience, describe what you believe would have made it a better experience.

   OR

   B. If you have never attended a formal Orientation Program, please describe the components you feel would be important to include in a Freshman Orientation Program. Also discuss at least three things you believe could happen during an Orientation Program that would give new students a negative impression of the University.

3. Submit one letter of recommendation from reference (organization advisor, professor, work supervisor, RA, etc.) who can attest to your abilities either in a group experience (such as an organization or class) or in a working situation.

Please return your application and letter of recommendation **IN PERSON** to the Admissions Office, 201 SUB by 5:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, November 9, 2018**.

**INITIAL INTERVIEWS WILL BE ARRANGED WHEN YOU TURN IN YOUR APPLICATION.**