

# **ROLES OF A COMMUTER ASSISTANT:**

- Commuter Assistants work to create a comfortable and safe environment in which commuter students can individually and collectively "find their fit" within the HCU Community.
- Throughout the semester, Commuter Assistants will have 10-15 weekly office hours in the Collegium where they will be responsible for day-to-day operations including, but not limited to: maintaining the Collegium community spaces, running commuter-focused programs, managing locker/equipment rentals and handling petty cash, etc.
- Commuter Assistants also are a part of Kaleo Discipleship where they will be discipled
  as a group by the First Year and Commuter Engagement Coordinator as well as the
  opportunity to share their faith and lead bible studies with the commuter student
  population.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF A COMMUTER ASSISTANT:**

- Attend a mandatory *Student Leadership/Discipleship Celebration* taking place in the **spring 2023 semester date and time TBD**.
- Attend a mandatory *Student Leadership Retreat to* be held off campus for 3 days taking place in **August 2023 date and time TBD**.
- Be available via email and GroupMe over the summer as needed to plan for the fall semester.
- Collaborate with other Commuter Assistants, the First Year and Commuter Engagement Coordinator, and Faculty/Staff to enhance the commuter student experience.
- Serve as a role model exhibiting enthusiasm, motivation, and involvement.
- Exercise good judgment in representing the university and uphold institutional standards.
- Attend one-on-one bi-weekly meetings with the First Year and Commuter Engagement Coordinator.
- Attend bi-weekly meetings with the Commuter Assistants and First Year and Commuter Engagement Coordinator.

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNIES:

Many of the skills learned are transferrable to careers after HCU. Commuter Assistants
will increase their self-awareness of their leadership styles and strategies, develop a
deeper understanding of group work, learn how to effectively facilitate discussions
and/or meetings, and improve their ability to think reflectively and critically.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- 2.5+ GPA. Must be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the University.
- Sophomore, Junior, or Senior (not graduating before May 2024) standing by Fall 2023.
- Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to connect with a diverse group of students.
- Previous leadership experience at or outside of HCU (orientation, ambassador, local church intern, etc.).
- Commitment to the purpose and mission of Houston Christian University.
- Demonstrated ACTIVE Christian faith.
- The ability to commit 10-15 hours per week to the roles and responsibilities expected of the position.

## **COMPENSATION:**

- Develop valuable leadership skills, working with small and large groups, and a variety of individuals.
- Develop a professional relationship with your team and campus partners.
- Students may be eligible to receive a grant (amount TBD) for the year.

## **HIRING MANAGER:**

Contact Erin Thorn, Student Success Specialist for First Year and Commuter Engagement, at studentlife@hbu.edu for more information on this position.