

Patriot Leader Frequently Asked Questions

What is Orientation and Family Programs and Services?

Orientation and Family Programs and Services is an office on campus dedicated to the work of orienting new students, freshman and transfer, and creating and implementing programs for students and their families.

What all is encompassed with the Patriot Leader position?

Throughout the year, the Patriot Leaders Team are responsible for welcoming and assisting new members of the Mason community, including freshmen, transfers and their family members. These students must exhibit leadership qualities both inside and outside the classroom, be full of Mason spirit, passionate about helping people and possess a desire to develop their own leadership potential.

Do I need an extensive background in leadership training?

Not at all. Orientation and Family Programs and Services are looking for students interested in developing their leadership potential. We pride ourselves on our leadership development training and are committed to making sure you have the information and skills needed to be a successful member of the Orientation and Family Programs and Services Family.

What is the time commitment?

Our leadership development training program begins in late February and continues through the summer. Throughout the summer, Orientation and Family Programs and Services must take high priority over other commitments, as you will be expected to fully participate in all of the training and orientation sessions in the summer. You should not expect to be able to take summer classes.

The commitment does not end in the summer as Patriot Leaders will be expected to complete a Welcome Week, participate in Family Weekend and Spring Orientation.

What kind of compensation will I receive from being a Patriot Leader?

During the summer (May – September), a Patriot Leader receives a stipend of approximately \$2,265. In addition, Patriot Leaders receive free housing over the summer in a residence hall

room and meals during training and summer Orientation sessions. During the orientation program, meals will be provided. For the October – January time commitment, which includes the Fall Retention Program, Family Weekend, and Spring Orientation, Patriot Leaders will receive a \$500 stipend.

Where can I find out more information about the application process?

Dates, times and locations of Patriot Leader Information session can be found at <http://greenpolo.gmu.edu>. Applications can be found at <http://greenpolo.gmu.edu> and completed applications must be submitted by Tuesday, January 26 at 5:00pm.

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