Ragin Ambassador Application

Packets are due to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment by 8/31/15

What is the Ragin’ Ambassador program?

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What does a Ragin’ Ambassador do?

- Represent the University during college events
- Develop an expanded knowledge of the University; it’s history as well as traditions
- Be in assistance in the OUAR recruitment efforts by volunteering a minimum of 10hrs. a month
- Assist with the facilitation and execution of the OUAR on and off campus events
- Develop effective leadership and professional skills
- Facilitate questions about the university while remaining both friendly and professional
- Work with other Ragin’ Ambassadors and professional staff respectfully
- Be able to confidently answer questions from students and parents about the University
- Serve as mentor/guide to incoming students
- Facilitation of special campus visits
- Always represent the OUAR and the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in a positive manor both while on duty and in your personal life

What are the benefits of becoming a Ragin’ Ambassador?

Serving as a Ragin’ Ambassador will allow you the opportunity to assist in developing the incoming classes of Ragin’ Cajuns. Ragin’ Ambassadors will be equipped with the ability to give the key to success to those who are beginning their journey at UL Lafayette. As a Ragin’ Ambassador, you will develop a wide range of transferable skills that will benefit you during you time in college and beyond. You will gain leadership skills that will help build your resume and enhance your own UL Lafayette experience.

Becoming a Ragin’ Ambassador – Qualifications

University of Louisiana at Lafayette Ragin’ Ambassadors should enjoy communicating with others, take pride in all aspects of the University, open to new experiences as well as open to personal growth, and a commitment to diversity.

- Must be a current UL student in good standing (not on academic or disciplinary probation).
- **Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.25 and have completed at least two academic semesters at UL Lafayette**
- Must be enrolled full-time (12 credit hours) at UL for both Spring and Fall semesters, (unless you are a graduating senior)
- Demonstration of strong communication and interpersonal skills
· Must display school spirit, university pride, and professionalism.
· Exhibition of leadership, initiative, dependability, discipline, and enthusiasm
· Must show positive attitude and strong work ethic.
· Must be open to learning and challenging yourself to grow in all areas
· Must possess a commitment to new students and their success
· Desire to make a difference in the lives of new students

To apply, please complete and submit the following

· Ragin’ Ambassador application and questionnaire
· Ragin’ Ambassador recommendation form, please submit no more than three recommendation forms

Part 1 – Information

Name: ________________________________________ clid: ____________

Completed credit hours as of the end of the current semester: ______

Is your cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) above a 2.25? yes no

Mailing address: _______________________________________________________________________

Phone: _______________________________ Email: ________________________________

Major: _______________________________ Expected date of Graduation: ________________

Are you fluent in any other language than English? ____________________________________________

Do you have any other commitments during the 2015 – 2016 fall and spring semesters? (examples: off-campus work, other UL Lafayette organizations, etc.) ___________________________________________

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1. Why do you want to be a Ragin’ Ambassador? What skills or characteristics do you possess that would make you a good ambassador? What skill would you want to improve/obtain as a Ragin’ Ambassador? ___________________________________________

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2. What are the two most important needs of new students? ______________________________________

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3. Ragin’ Ambassadors serve as role models to students as well as representatives of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Why do you consider yourself a good role model? ___________________________________________

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4. Commitment plays a large role in making a volunteer organization successful. Please describe what commitment means to you. 

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5. What qualities are evident in a good leader?  

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6. What are your educational plans, career objectives, and personal goals beyond completing your degree at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette?  

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7. Please include any additional information which you believe is relevant and would assist the committee in the selection process.  

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8. Who from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette has been your inspiration to apply for Ragin’ Ambassadors?  

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Please submit your packet by 8/31/15 to Jamey Arnette – Assistant Director for Outreach and Yield Programs, located in the French House or email to raginambassadors@louisiana.edu.
Ragin’ Ambassador Reference Form

You are being asked to provide a reference for ___________________________________ who is applying for a position as a Ragin’ Ambassador at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

To the Student Applicant:
Please check on of the options below regarding your right of access:
____ I, the undersigned, waive the right of personal access to this recommendation.
____ I, the undersigned, retain the right of personal access to this recommendation.

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Signature of the Student Applicant  Date

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We would appreciate your completion of this recommendation form by providing your personal reactions concerning the applicant, please attach a separate letter of reference or send your response to Jamey Arnette, Assistant Director for Outreach and Yield Programs, jamey@louisiana.edu.

Please mark the response below that best represents the applicant:

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Please make any additional comments you think pertinent to the selection of this candidate for the position of Ragin’ Ambassador.
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Reference provided by:

____________________________________________  __________________
Print name  Date

Signature of Reference  Date