



### **Graduate Assistantship Opening University Camps**

The Office of University Camps invites applications from graduate students pursuing a master's degree to fill a Youth Program Development Coordinator graduate assistantship position for the **Academic Year 2025-2026 and Summer 2026**.

This assistantship position reports directly to the Director of University Camps and, indirectly, to the Director of the Student Union.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

The graduate student appointed to this GA position supports work of University Camps aimed at Youth Program Camp Development and Camp Seasonal Staff Leadership Training to ensure youth camps provide engaging recreational and educational experiences. In doing so, it also assists in the administration side of camps including reviewing paperwork, monitoring and updating registration platform, and assisting with financial reporting.

Additionally, this assistantship position is instrumental in assisting the Director of University Camps in the strategic development of a variety youth camp offerings and a seasonal staff leadership and training program. In doing so, it assists with the hiring of seasonal camp staff as well as development and implementation of leadership training program to ensure seasonal staff is equipped to provide a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment for camp participants.

#### **Eligibility and Additional Considerations:**

Graduate assistantship appointments with **University Camps** are for 12 months and usually begin in the Fall semester. This position begins in **August 2025** and will continue into both Spring 2026 and Summer 2026.

Students in **Business (especially finance or project management), Communication, Counseling, Education or Kinesiology** graduate programs are eligible to apply. Consideration also may be given to graduate students pursuing a degree program and research focus with direct connection to the duties described above.

Appointment **requires full-time graduate enrollment and completion of 20 hours of in-person, on-campus** duties each week during the Fall, Spring, and Summer terms. Appointment does not require completion of duties when classes are not in session (i.e., during intercessions and student breaks).

Continuation of the appointment in or beyond Spring 2026 is contingent upon successful completion of assistantship duties, satisfactory progress toward degree, and/or budgetary considerations.

If an international graduate student, your visa status may place restrictions on your employment eligibility; if you are not certain if your visa status permits holding an assistantship, contact the Office of International Affairs in the Division of Global Engagement.

### **Compensation:**

Compensation includes a waiver of tuition and mandatory fees, plus a monthly stipend that adheres to University minimum levels.

- For the 2025-2026 academic year, the minimum stipend is \$1,150 per month for master's students, totaling \$11,500 paid over ten months. This assistantship position includes a summer appointment, and thus the total stipend is \$13,800 paid equally over 12 months.
- The value of tuition/fee waiver for an academic-year assistantship in 2025-2026 is at least \$11,202 for U.S. resident graduate students and \$27,674 for non-resident international graduate students enrolled in 9 graduate credit hours per semester. For students taking more credits, this benefit is even higher.
- The accompanying fee waiver does not cover 100% of the supplemental insurance fee for international students on F-1, J-1, or other non-immigrant visas.

### **To Apply:**

Apply online in **Handshake**. Search for UL Lafayette University Camps. Questions may be directed to Michelle Bernard, Director of University Camps, at [michelle.bernard@louisiana.edu](mailto:michelle.bernard@louisiana.edu), however applications must be submitted via Handshake.

Priority consideration will be given to graduate students who demonstrate a direct connection in their letter of application between the duties described above and the graduate degree being pursued.

**To ensure full consideration apply by July 16.** Review of applications will begin at that time and will continue until the position is filled.