

ORIENTATION 2008-2009

Join us in welcoming new Lumberjacks to NAU!



New Student Programs

New Student Programs works closely with Northern Arizona University students and their families through programs which connect them with valuable academic and student services. Our primary goal is student success. We provide services and referrals that assist students in achieving academic success.

OUR MISSION

New Student Programs seeks to provide education, leadership, paraprofessional, and professional development opportunities to the Northern Arizona University community through high-quality and developmentally-based orientation programming.

WHAT WE DO

Orientation

Our orientation and enrollment program has assisted thousands of new students as they begin their undergraduate career at the Mountain Campus for more than 20 years. Orientation provides students the opportunity for University orientation, exploration of student services and extracurricular activities, and a chance to interact with the many key players on the campus. New students and their families also meet other new students and families, current students, faculty and student service providers.

Welcome Week

Welcome Week is the University's welcome back to campus before the first day of classes for both the fall and spring semesters.

Parents' Association

New Student Programs serves as the liaison to parents of all of our students. We work with Family Weekend, the Parents' Association newsletter, memberships and concerns and questions.

New Student Programs Staff

David Forgues, Director

LeAnne Jones, Assistant Director

Dianna Van Sanford, Coordinator of Parent and Family Programs

Sheila Rader, Administrative Assistant

Shetara OliwoOlabode, Administrative Specialist Sr.

Responsibilities and Qualifications for Orientation Leaders

Orientation Leaders: Orientation Leaders serve new students and their families by providing helpful information and assisting in students' transition from high school to college. It is a fun and challenging leadership opportunity available to Northern Arizona University students who are committed to providing the most positive orientation experience for students.

Orientation Leader Qualifications: Positions are available to full-time undergraduate students who will have completed 24 credit hours by the start of Summer Orientation. Orientation Leaders must currently have, and maintain, a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or above. Applicants must be full-time students during Fall 2008 and Spring 2009, may not take classes during Summer Session I 2009, and must be continuing students for Fall 2009. Orientation Leaders must enroll in the EPS 499 training class during Spring 2009. Orientation Leaders must maintain good academic and disciplinary standing with the University.

Orientation Leader Responsibilities for Spring 2009:

- Enroll in EPS 499 during Spring 2009 Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:20pm-3:35pm
- Participate in Fall 2008 Orientation sessions (December 6, 2008 and January 9, 2009) and Spring 2009 Orientation sessions (April 25, 2009)
- Demonstrate working knowledge of specific information pertaining to the colleges/schools and student support services
- Demonstrate familiarity with the areas of Student Affairs
- Attend all classes, team building activities, vignette practices, committee meetings, training sessions, and all Orientation sessions
- Complete all class assignments and pass the class with a grade of B or better
- Participate in a weekend National Orientation Directors Association event in February
- Responsibility as a mentee and as a colleague to other Orientation Leaders
- Actively participate in planning and implementing all aspects of Orientation.

Orientation Leader Responsibilities for Summer and Fall 2009:

- Welcome new students and their families to Orientation and facilitate check in and registration
- Live on campus in a residence hall during the Orientation season (May 15-June 28)
- Serve as the Orientation Leader to a group of students
- Conduct exciting and innovative small group activities and discussions
- Discuss University policies, course enrollment, student life, and other transition issues
- Conduct campus tours
- Participate in preparation, rehearsal, and presentation of social issue vignettes designed to inform and educate students about social transition issues
- Professionally and accurately represent faculty, staff, and administrators through this paraprofessional position
- Participate in Sibling and Parent Track, the component of Orientation that provides information and resources for parents and families.

Due to the large numbers of applicants, we ask that you please attach a recent photo of yourself

ORIENTATION LEADER APPLICATION

Due by noon on October 3, 2008 in the Sechrist Resource Center (located in Sechrist Hall, Building 42)

NAME: _____ NAUID#: _____

CAMPUS/LOCAL ADDRESS: _____

HALL (IF APPLICABLE): _____ LOCAL PHONE: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

YEAR IN SCHOOL (08-09): _____ MAJOR: _____ CUM GPA: _____

CREDIT HOURS COMPLETED TO DATE: _____ ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE: _____

MYSPACE USERNAME: _____

OTHER INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED (IF A TRANSFER STUDENT): _____

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES DATES & YEARS POSITIONS HELD/RESPONSIBILITIES

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (TYPE ANSWERS AND ATTACH TO APPLICATION):

- 1) Why do you want to be an Orientation Leader?
- 2) In your opinion, what are the concerns a new student may have as they make the transition from high school (or another institution) to NAU?

I understand that maintaining a minimum grade point average and that my discipline history at Northern Arizona University have a direct link to my ability to serve as an Orientation Leader. I give permission to the Office of New Student Programs to access my academic and disciplinary records in order to complete the hiring process. In addition, I understand that I will be required to sign an agreement to serve as a member of the Orientation 2009 Team and that I will be required to enroll in a four-credit course as part of my training. Failure to enroll, to pass the course with an A or B grade or to comply with the agreement may result in termination of my employment.

Signature: _____

****When returning application, please sign up for a group interview****

For more information, please contact New Student Programs at 523-0632