#### **Arcadia University**

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Job Title:	Student Services Coordinator	Date:	03 August 2017
Department:	Student Services	Reports To:	Associate Director for Student services
Unit:	London	Full/Part Time:	Full Time
Salary range	£24,500 - £25,500		

#### **Position Summary:**

This role is part of the Student Life team at the Arcadia University London Center which provides a comprehensive range of support services and extra-curricular opportunities for around 1000 students per year, from over 400 schools in the US, on over 30 different programs all over England & Wales (plus an increasing amount of customised study abroad programming) including orientation, health & safety advice and support, residential life & extra-curricular programming, budgeting, cell phones, student life in the UK volunteering, community engagement, social media and immigration.

As well as providing general student support services as outlined above for all students as part of the Student Life team, the postholder has responsibility for providing information to students and ensures the effective delivery of co-curricular and extra-curricular services and support to students and staff. The postholder also provides administrative support to the Associate Director for Student Services and the Student Services Officers.

#### **Hours**

The role is a full time post which requires flexibility and adaptability. The nature of the role means that unsocial hours are often worked, requiring some evenings and weekend work, this is a necessary part of the role. Discretionary time off may be granted by line manager for sustained work done outside of office hours. The role requires you to provide 24hr emergency phone cover for students on a staff rota basis.

# <u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>

#### **Essential Functions**

As a guide, you can expect your distribution of time as follows (n.b. this may change over time according the changing needs of the organisation and the role):

#### 1. Administration - 50%

- Provide administrative support for the routine operation of all student services including events, health and safety provision, extracurricular programming, orientation, pre-departure;
- Data entry and maintenance of student databases and records e.g. health forms, cell phone numbers, health care providers etc.;
- Work with support staff in the US to help prepare students for study abroad;
- Work with support staff in the US on costing and provision of services required by

- special (custom) programmes;
- Assist in the organising and hosting of overseas visitors to the programmes.

#### 2. Student support/advising -15%

- Provide support, advice and information and opportunities for students with regard to orientation, health, safety, academics, housing, co-curricular and extra-curricular opportunities;
- Ensure students are able to access appropriate local health care & support & respond to health care enquiries;
- Deal with housing maintenance queries from students;
- Provide cover for the London Center student front desk reception on a shift basis as required;
- Act as in country adviser for specific programmes as directed;
- monitor and publicise relevant local events and information providing students with information regarding a range of cultural and social opportunities;
- Maintain regular communications with students, staff, visitors and partners in person, by phone, email and letter and other media.

#### 3. Programming/Orientation -15%

- Organize and run student events and excursions, attending events as necessary;
- Lead up to two weekend excursion/events per semester/term;
- Participate in the planning and delivery of student orientations.

#### 4. Social media/Communications - 15%

 Responsibility for communications via various media including social media, email bulletins, handbooks, noticeboards.

#### 5. Emergency response -5%

- Serve, in the regular staff rota, as an emergency out-of-hours contact for students;
- Support students in need of urgent care out of office hours;
- Contribute to the staff response to large scale major emergency incidents out of office hours as required.

#### **Other Duties**

Any other duties commensurate with the level and nature of the post

#### **Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:**

#### **Person specification**

- The post requires a graduate with a strong interest in cultural aspects of British life and excellent interpersonal skills as well as enthusiasm for global education, London and the UK. The postholder is expected to be able to operate independently as part of a broader remit, use their initiative to make decisions independently where appropriate, supervising junior staff as necessary for certain tasks.
- The post requires someone who is able to think creatively about the delivery of a programme focused on the needs of students living and studying in another country, and who possesses strong communication skills (both written and verbal), confidence working in a team environment, strong IT office system experience.
- Willingness to travel around the UK/US is necessary. The postholder will be expected to be willing and able to adapt to the changing needs of the sector and the organisation.

Where E = essential and D = desirable	
First degree	Е
Ability to work as part of a team.	Е
Minimum 1 year's administrative experience	Е
Excellent communication skills	Е
Proven ability to multi-task, prioritise and excellent attention to detail	E
Proficiency in IT literacy and in particular office suites	E
No restriction on permission to work in the UK	E
Demonstrable enthusiasm for study abroad and international education	Е
Experience of UK and US higher education systems	D
Good knowledge of London & the UK an ability to engage with students about London and the UK.	D

### **Supervision:**

**Received:** Associate Director for Student Services, Student Services Officers

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

• Undergraduate degree

• 1 year's administrative experience

Other Requirements: (e.g., certificates, license required)

Funding source: Account #: TCGS London

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