

WKU GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP: FACILITIES (12 – Month Agreement)

The Graduate Assistant, Facilities is responsible for assisting with the overall management of the Raymond B. Preston Health & Activities Center. This includes, but is not limited to, supervising daily facility operations and facility student staff. The Graduate Assistant, Facilities will report to the Assistant Director, Facilities.

Responsibilities for this position include, but are not limited to:

- Assist with facility operations of the Preston Center inclusive of facility usage, memberships, aquatics, & rentals
- Assist with recruiting, hiring, training, scheduling, supervision, and evaluation of the facilities and office assistant student support teams.
- Provide quality customer service to all facility patrons.
- Assist with the maintaining and reporting of facility and membership budgets through use of RecAutomation software
- Assist with full oversight, inventory, and maintenance of faculty/staff and student locker rentals.
- File incident and accident reports through use of Maxient, and other facility documents.
- Maintain up-to-date facility information on department website
- Assist with the representation of the department at WKU Admission, New Student Program, Division of Student Experience, and other WKU events.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university. Preference will be given to candidates
 holding a degree in Recreation Administration, Facility Management, Higher Education, Hospitality,
 Leadership, or a related field
- Strong personal, organizational, motivational, communication, writing, and computer skills.
- Outstanding people skills, maturity, and sensitivity to cultural, sexual, religious, and racial differences among people and cultures.
- Proficiency with MS Office for reports, spreadsheet, and data generation
- Independent focus and excellent organizational and time management skills.

Graduate School Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four-year institution
- 3.0 Undergraduate GPA is required by the WKU Graduate School for all Graduate Assistants
- Graduate admission requirements vary by program
- Must be enrolled on a full-time basis (minimum 6 hours per semester) to receive assistantship, stipend, and tuition waiver.

Physical and Mental Abilities Required:

- Requires maturity, balance, multi-tasking, mental stamina, and the ability to think critically and independently.
- May require lengthy periods of sitting at the computer, attending meetings, or standing for lengthy periods of time conducting presentations or programs.
- May require light lifting of supplies and equipment and potentially for program set up.
- Ability to maintain a balanced perspective on sensitive issues is essential.
- Ability to handle stress and periodic overload in a mature manner is essential to this position.

General Department Job Responsibilities for All Graduate Assistants:

- Demonstrate commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, and contribute to an inclusive working and learning environment
- Adhere to daily office hours
- Lead department American Red Cross CPR, First Aid, AED certification courses for student staff (CRW to provide instructor certification)
- Attend and engage in professional and All-Student staff meetings/trainings
- Represent the department at various on and off campus recruiting events
- Provide oversight of program area in the absence of supervisor
- Work night and weekend hours (as needed)
- Performing other duties as assigned

Compensation and Benefit Package:

- Tuition Coverage
 - o Full-Tuition Waiver (Up to 9 hours during the fall and spring semesters)
 - Note: Online classes require a distant learning fee, to be covered by graduate assistant
 - If a degree requires summer classes, those classes must be covered by graduate assistant
- Stipend
 - o \$10,000 Stipend (August-May)
 - o Paid in monthly increments (September-December, January-April)
 - Additional Employment Opportunities
 - Potential to begin in July 2025 (20 hours/week, paid hourly, bi-weekly) for program assistant level work
 - Employment expected during the summer between year one and two (20 hours/week, paid hourly, bi-weekly) for program assistant level work.
 - Additional employment opportunities are available if desired during the summertime (paid hourly per student staff position rates, up to 40 hours) for non-GA level positions
 - During non-enrollment periods, there are opportunities to pick up additional hours assisting in student staff positions, paid at an hourly rate
- Hourly Work Requirements
 - o 30 hours (week before Fall Semester/Week before Spring Semester), paid hourly
 - o 20 hours (during Fall/Spring semester), paid via monthly stipend
- Health Insurance (If needed)
- Professional development funding (amount based on departmental funding availability) upon request and approval

Condition of Hire:

- Contingent upon completing a satisfactory background check
- Must get full acceptance into the WKU Graduate School and Program of choice
- Must have American Red Cross/First Aid/AED certification (or willing to obtain once graduate assistantship begins)

Commitment:

• 2 Year Agreement (2nd year contingent upon successful evaluation at the end of year one)

Start Date: Monday, July 28th, 2025

- **GA training week**: July 28th August 1st
- **Preston Center Maintenance Week**: August 4th 8th
- All-Student Staff Training Week: August 11th 15th
- WKU Classes Begin: Monday, August 18th, 2025

To apply, send the following information: Cover letter, resume, and a list of two references to the contact below: Candice Douglas, Assistant Director, Facilities at candice.douglas@wku.edu