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Active learning is a student-centered approach focusing on knowledge construction and reflection. The Office of Active Learning at UGA aims to embed this practice across undergraduate classrooms, and the Active Learning Ambassador program consists of a small group of students who champion the value and efficacy of active learning practice. AL Ambassadors are trained on the evidence behind active learning and conduct outreach across the university, articulating and promoting active learning goals to groups of students, faculty, administrators, and external audiences. They serve as key representatives of the Active Learning Initiative during the multi-day Active Learning Summit on campus, where they host breakout sessions, demonstrate active learning techniques, and highlight programming during the showcase. In addition to outreach, Ambassadors advise the Director, implement assessment protocols, and generate content for the website and social media. Ambassadors are recruited and selected based on their experiences in classes that include significant active learning practice, with seasoned Peer Learning Assistants as an evident pool for recruitment.

This Graduate Assistant position would be responsible for facilitating the Ambassador program. This graduate assistantship will be 20 hours a week for 10 months. The benefits of this assistantship include an annual payment of \$24,000 and a tuition reduction to \$25 per semester instead of the standard tuition, which for the 2023-2024 school year was \$4,439 for in-state students and \$12,593 for out-of-state students. Therefore, the total value of this award includes the annual payment of \$24,000 *and* the savings in tuition that you will receive should you accept this award. Responsibilities for this position include:

Strategic Planning

- Meet with the Director of Active Learning before the Fall semester to outline specific goals and objectives for the Active Learning Ambassadors (ALA) program.
- Meet with the Director bi-weekly to assess and plan events aligning with the larger goals.
- Manage the Active Learning Ambassador Budget.

Recruitment, Elections, and Committee Assignments of Ambassadors

- Utilize listservs, tabling, and other marketing techniques to recruit new ambassadors.
- Organize and conduct interviews for new and returning ambassadors.



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- Conduct elections for the Active Learning Ambassadors Executive Board.
- Coordinate the oversight of the organization's committees to ensure the work of each committee successfully aligns with the objectives of the ALA program.

Communication & Meetings with Ambassadors

- Manage all technology infrastructure that houses resources and essential documents for the organization.
- Coordinate and lead meetings for the Active Learning Executive Board
- Assist in the planning and leading of General Body Meetings.
- Serve as the direct point of contact for the Active Learning Ambassadors to the Director of Active Learning, other UGA entities, and non-UGA entities.

Event Planning

- Coordinate planning events such as the Fall Retreat, the Winter Retreat, the Fall Student Event, the Spring Student Event, the Active Learning Summit, Homecoming Week, and the Active Learning Ambassador Celebration.
- Ensure ALAs are well-prepared to participate in the Active Learning Summit as the Office of Active Learning representatives.