

Porter Slug Position

Job Description

Porter College Slugs are among the first people that incoming residents at Porter meet when they arrive on campus. They volunteer to help frosh and transfer students make the transition to life at Porter and UCSC. Not only do they provide community building and role modeling to new students, they also work with the College Programs Coordinator (CPC), Assistant College Programs Coordinator (ACPC), Residential Life Staff, and other Slugs to plan and implement active and passive programs during Welcome Week. Additionally, Slugs work together to provide support during Commencement Ceremony and are encouraged to stay involved throughout the year. They receive training in public speaking, team building, communication skills, event organization, program training and campus culture and policy. Becoming a Slug is not only an excellent opportunity for students to improve and utilize their leadership and organizational skills, but it is an opportunity to share the best that the Porter College experience has to offer and help our new neighbors integrate into the Porter community and make a successful transition to UCSC.

The requirements to become a Slug Orientation Leader are:

- Be a UCSC student! Preferences are given to Porter Affiliates and members of the Transfer Community at Porter College.
- Be in good academic and judicial standing
- Present a spirit of volunteerism, helpfulness and overall willingness to provide the best for others
- Be available to attend online training for the Porter Slugs in Spring Quarter, and in person training starting in September before Fall Quarter begins.
- Be available to work Porter Commencement on June 6th, 6:00 pm.*

* Given the fluid nature of the Covid-19 pandemic, we are awaiting a decision from the University based on guidance from the State of California & Center for Disease Control. Until we receive further notice, we are proceeding with Porter Commencement.

PERKS

- Be a Porter College Student Leader
- Learn valuable leadership, communication, programming, and community building skills
- Early move-in (if you live on campus)
- Priority housing points for on campus housing
- Free meals and goodies during Fall training
- Complimentary ticket to the Boardwalk Frolic

- Special Slug T Shirt
- Fieldtrip with fellow Porter Slugs
- Earn priority in Porter Activities positions such as: Tech Crew and Activities Office Staff

Expectations

A large part of this position is to support the Activities Office and participate in a number of major events at Porter College. Some of these events are: Commencement Ceremony, Fall Move-In, Squigglefest and the various activities that occur during Welcome Week. Many tasks are expected from a Slug, but are not limited to, the following:

- Maintain the Principles of Community, role modeling, and follow all college policies throughout the year
- Assist in set up, clean up and ushering at Porter Commencement Ceremony
- Assist with parking control, packet distribution, etc, during Move-in days
- Aid in the planning of Playtime in the Quad, Special Campus and Community Tours, Squigglefest, and other activities during Welcome Week.
- Support new students in attending required orientation programs, advising sessions and Porter One course introductions.
- Make and post signs and banners, making new student packets, etc...
- Willing to help set up and clean up programs

And last but not least...

Be an enthusiastic force to the Porter community and HAVE FUN!

Porter Slug Application

Instructions: Any incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Applications must be typed. Advancement to the next stage of selection will be based upon Academic and Judicial standing, the total number of applicants and the quality of the written application. Particular weight and consideration will be given to answers to the essay questions, resume, and knowledge of position and Porter community. For questions and accommodations, please contact Althea Pearl Carlson at portacpc@ucsc.edu or (831) 459-2857.

*In light of the COVID-19 public health recommendations, we will be making an effort to support social distancing practices throughout Spring Quarter. Please email your completed application to Althea at portacpc@ucsc.edu, no later than 5:00 pm on **Friday May 1st, 2020.***

PART 1 – Contact Information

Name: _____ SID: _____

Phone: _____ UCSC Email: _____

College Affiliation: _____ Year: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

PART 2 – Commitments:

The Slug role will again require some dedicated time at Commencement, during Spring Training and Fall Training/Welcome Week. Would you be able to commit to our Slug team during these periods? (Please circle one)

Yes No

Please list the commitments you anticipate having next year, such as academic, campus or off campus organizations:

PART 3- References:

List the names of your two references. References can be a RA, faculty, staff, TAs, supervisors or past employers.

Include their name, contact information, and job title or relationship.

Reference 1: _____

Reference 2: _____

Part 4 - Essay Questions

Answers should be in paragraph form. It should be clear, concise, and adequately cover the question asked. Feel free to add an additional page for your writing if necessary.

Question 1: Why would you like to be an Orientation Leader?

Question 2: What is “Community” to you? What skills and experiences do you have that can help build our community?

Question 3: As an Orientation Leader, how can you build the sense of our Porter community within our first year and transfer students?

Question 4: If you had to plan one activity or program that would bring together all four+ years of Porter Students – from both on and off campus– what would that activity look like and what sort of resources would be needed to make it successful?

PART 5 – Resume

Please include an up to date resume. Please submit your document as a pdf along with this application to portacpc@ucsc.edu.

PART 6 - Interview with the Activities Office

Each interview should not exceed more than 30 minutes, please plan accordingly. Please email Althea at portacpc@ucsc.edu to schedule an interview, which will be held via Zoom.

Quick checklist

Please read through and make sure you have completed all parts of the application.

_____ Contact information is accurate and up to date

_____ Understand and willing to commit to the time dedicated to the Slug position

_____ 2 References

_____ Answers to essay questions

_____ Current and updated resume

_____ Interview scheduled for: _____

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