What is the Graduate Assistantship Recruitment Program?

The Graduate Assistantship Recruitment Program at East Carolina University is a collaborative effort among the University's Division of Student Affairs and academic partners. The program is designed to familiarize prospective graduate students with the Division Student Affairs and to provide a formal interview structure for open Graduate Assistantships throughout the Division.

When and What is Campus Visit and Interview Day?

Campus Visit and Interview Day will take place on Friday, February 13, 2015. The program provides current and prospective graduate students the opportunity to learn more about the Division of Student Affairs, meet future classmates, network with current students and alumni, tour the ECU campus, connect with academic partners, and interview for graduate assistantships.

What is the application process for Campus Visit and Interview Day?

There is a two part process for applying:

1) Candidates must submit an online application along with a cover letter and resume. Departments with available assistantships will pre-select candidates for interviews before Campus Visit and Interview Day. You will be asked on the application to rank your order of preference for assistantships, this will be what departments use to extend interviews. The application deadline is Monday, February 2nd.

2) Candidates will be notified via email on February 6th of those departments extending you an interview. This email will include a link for you to register for Campus Visit and Interview Day. The deadline for registration is Monday, February, 9th.

Who can participate in Campus Visit and Interview Day?

Only prospective graduate students who have been extended an interview from a Department in Student Affairs can participate in Campus Visit and Interview Day. Students should have applied to the Graduate School for a degree seeking program in order to be eligible for an assistantship.
What is required to apply for Campus Visit and Interview Day?

- 2015 Campus Visit and Interview Day Application form, attaching a current resume and one cover letter.
- Either a credit card payment of $28.00 (It's $25.00 for Campus Visit and Interview Day plus a $3 processing fee)

What type of assistantships are available?

Assistantships are available in many departments and offices throughout the Division of Student Affairs, including, but not limited to:

- Campus Recreation and Wellness
- Career Center
- Center for Student Leadership and Engagement
- Dean of Students
- Residence Life
- Student Activities
- Volunteer and Service Learning Center

The number of assistantships available varies from year to year. The website www.ecu.edu/SAgarp will be updated with any changes.

How does attending Campus Visit and Interview Day benefit me?

The program provides prospective graduate students with the opportunity to:

- Meet the leadership of the Division of Student Affairs
- Get to know future classmates
- Network with current students and alumni
- Interview for assistantship positions in a conference placement-type setting
- Learn about various graduate programs at ECU, including the Certificate Program in Student Affairs
- Interact with other graduate assistants and candidates from around the nation
- Have any Graduate Admissions and financial aid questions answered
- Visit and tour the East Carolina University Campus

What are the benefits of holding a graduate assistantship?

Compensation varies depending on the type of Assistantship in Student Affairs. Graduate assistants compensation could include a stipend, tuition remission, or housing. Contracts typically begin in August and continue through mid-May, depending on the department.

Graduate Assistant Professional Development - Most Student Affairs departments provide additional professional development activities designed to meet your needs as a graduate assistant.
Additionally, the Student Affairs Continuing Career Development Committee sponsors monthly professional development programs tailored to the needs of graduate students. Graduate students are also provided the opportunity to co-facilitate sections of COAD 1000, a seminar course for entering undergraduate students.

If you have any other questions please feel free to contact Bernie Schulz by email at schulzb@ecu.edu or by phone at 252-328-2092.