OHIO UNIVERSITY University College

Improving the Experiences and Persistence of First-Generation College Students at Ohio University

Position: OHIO First Scholars Graduate Assistant

Allen Student Advising Center

Remuneration: Minimum \$11,000 (plus tuition waiver)

Contact Person: Angela Lash, Associate Director

Position Description:

The Allen Student Advising Center coordinates efforts across campus to support first-generation college students (FGS) through the OHIO First Scholars program. FGS comprise approximately one third of our student population and we proactively reach out to these students to offer guidance and support. Under the guidance and supervision of Angela Lash, The OHIO First Scholars Graduate Assistant will assist actively in these efforts through My OHIO Success Network, midterm grade reports, admissions events, walk-in advising, event planning and mentoring. The OHIO First Scholars GA will also advise OHIO's first generation student organization, We Are First. Additionally, this GA provides teaching experience through UC1000 (fall), a first-year seminar course for undeclared students, and UC1500, a seminar course specifically for first-generation college students (spring). They will also serve as the primary academic advisor for students in their UC1000 course until the students declare a major or are accepted into the academic program of their choice. This position is an excellent fit for graduate students who are passionate about actively participating in the success and persistence of first-year first-generation college students. It is preferred, but not necessary, that the GA in this position be a first-generation college student. Due to the responsibilities related to advising a student org, it is also preferred that applicants have strong student involvement and leadership experience during their undergraduate careers. Additionally, we seek candidates with a strong commitment to working with faculty, staff and students from diverse background and support the development of cultural competency through monthly training opportunities.

For more information about OHIO First Scholars visit: www.ohio.edu/uc/firstgen

This position is currently filled for the 2019-2020 academic year

To apply, you will need your resume, cover letter, a list of professional references, and your autobiographical sketch/personal statement. You may apply for **up to six** graduate assistantships at Ohio University. **For general questions on the GA application process, please contact:** Elizabeth Stermer, Graduate Assistant for the Office of the Dean of Students at es933317@ohio.edu or (740) 593-1800.

Questions regarding the above position should be directed to: Angela Lash, Associate Director, lash@ohio.edu, (740) 566-8888.

