Graduate Assistant Position Description
DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE * UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

Activities and involvement outside the classroom are a significant part of each student’s education. Through graduate assistantships, internships, and practicum experience, the Veterans Resource Center (VRC) as part of the Dean of Students Office seeks to provide experiential learning opportunities and the promotion of intellectual, cultural, social, vocational, physical, psychological, and spiritual growth, and preparation for life outside of the University. The VRC is also committed to providing meaningful paraprofessional experiences for graduate students intending to pursue careers in student affairs or related higher education areas.

Qualifications:
• Acceptance to, or current enrollment in a University of Miami graduate or professional program as a full-time student
• Prior military experience is not required but is preferred. Any peripheral military knowledge adds value to candidacy.
• Demonstrated ability to plan programs and presentations for undergraduate students as well as possess public speaking experience
• Exceptional written and oral communication skills
• Excellent organizational skills

Core Responsibilities:
The VRC Graduate Assistant is a member of the Dean of Students Office staff. The VRC Graduate Assistant is expected to have a strong working relationship with the Veteran Students Organization (VSO) as well as other University departments providing services and/or resources to veteran students.

Other Responsibilities:
• Report directly to the Director of the VRC and attend regularly scheduled supervisory meetings
• Be visible, available, and accessible to veteran & military-connected students
• Participate in applicable staff training, VRC meetings, professional development, and special projects
• Perform regularly scheduled weekly office hours as directed to include administrative coverage in the VRC office
• Be present at and assist with Veteran Students Organization (VSO) events as assigned

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• Plan and facilitate pre-approved assessment surveys and/or educational programs/events for the student veteran and/or military-connected student population, or as a capstone project for the end of the experience.
• Perform other general duties as assigned by the Director of the VRC as needed.

**Compensation:**
The Graduate Assistant for the VRC is compensated by the University for 20 hours of work per week. The contract is for ten (10) months (August 2024 through May 2025), at a rate of $20,000 for the academic year and is paid in monthly increments.

**Submission:**
Interested applicants must submit a resume and formal cover letter addressing their qualifications and interest in the position to jon.baldessari@miami.edu.

**Deadline to apply:**
Open until filled but priority will be given to candidates who apply by March 22, 2024. The review of applicant materials will begin on a rolling basis, with preliminary interviews to follow soon after the priority deadline.

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