



International Student Mentor Program

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Mentor at Lewis University.

Mission Statement

“The purpose of the International Mentor is to make new international students feel welcome in the United States and to acclimate them to American culture. We will achieve this by means of availability, hospitality, and knowledge. With these values we shall create an environment in which new students will not be afraid to ask questions about what they do not know and they will be assured that we will always try to find their answer”.

As the mentors of this program play a vital role in helping international students adapt and orient to college life, we maintain some guidelines for interested applicants.

The selection process includes three aspects:

- An application.
- A staff or faculty recommendation.
- And an interview.

Application: Student interested in mentor program should print out the application form available at and submit it to the coordinator at International Student Services with the letter of recommendation.

Recommendation Form: Every individual applying for the mentor program must provide a letter of recommendation (LOR) completed by staff or faculty member.

Interview: Once the applicant application is accepted, you will be called in, for the interview which will be thirty-minute session held by a mentor team and professional staff member.

Lewis University International Student Mentor Program appreciates your willingness and dedication to help our international students. We believe that this experience will be mutually beneficial. We look forward to meeting you and feel free to contact us for any further questions via email, phone or stopping by the International Student Services (ISS).

Sincerely,

[Signature]



Requirements:

- Undergraduate (sophomore, junior or senior) graduate student for at least one semester;
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or above;
- Be outgoing, sociable, approachable, trustworthy and reliable;
- Have good interpersonal communication skills;
- Attendance of 1 hour and 30 minutes at training orientations monthly
- Availability to mentor up to 2 new students;
- Take part in the International Orientation Day and Mentor Day, which take place Thursday and Friday right before the beginning of each semester;
- Welcome and include your mentee in extracurricular activities, sports and off campus outings.



International Student Mentor Program Application Form

Date: ____/____/____

Name: _____
First name Last name

Gender: • Female • Male

Nationality: _____

DOB: ____/____/____ Year in School: ____ • SO • JR • SR • GR (graduate)
MM / DD / YYYY year

Student ID: _____ Major: _____ GPA: ____

E-mail: _____ Contact No: _____

Housing: • On Campus • Off Campus

Address: _____
City/state Zip code

Languages spoken: _____

What do you think is the importance of this program?

In what campus activities and/or organizations do you actively participate, if any?

If you have travelled or lived abroad, please list the countries below?



Describe any positions you have volunteered in which you helped or communicated with people from diverse cultural backgrounds?

How many hours per week are you willing to devote to your student?

Why are you interested in applying to this program? What qualities can you contribute to being a helpful and successful international student mentor?

Do you think you can participate in this program for minimally six months?

- Yes
- No
- not sure

By my signature below, I hereby declare that all the information I have provided for this application is true and accurate.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____