# Utilizing Student Employees

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#### Overview

- Being Intentional with Student Staff
- Training and Development
- Mentorship
- Georgia Tech and UGA Student Staffing Approaches
- Discussion

## Why Should We Be Intentional?

**Environment of Professionalism** 

**Development of Student** 

Resourceful

**Leadership Opportunities** 

### From the Beginning

- Hiring
  - Where do we find our student employees?
- Setting expectations of job duties
- Helpful Resources
  - Student Assistant Manuals
  - Training Materials
  - Scripts & Run-throughs

#### Growth & Development of the Student

- Skills & Values Assessments
  - Strengths balancing focusing on areas of natural talents AND meeting the needs of the office/position.
  - Clarifying values
- Acknowledging strengths and identifying areas of improvement
- Encourage leadership roles around campus. Nominating student for awards/scholarships or other opportunities to help build their resume and "toolbox"
- Helping students translate their work experience into resume lines

#### Mentorship Environment

- Building upon skills assessment and goal setting
- Providing structure to the job
  - Checking in with supervisor or group
  - Monthly meetings



#### What *can't* they do?



- UGA Student Employee Structure
  - **Student Assistant: (3-4)** clerical work, processing student organization reimbursement paperwork, special projects as assigned by full-time staff.
  - World Leader: (40) assist with the implementation of International Student Orientation, and the planning and implementation of Extended Orientation, and the Language Partner Program
  - Senior World Leaders: (2) assist/lead the planning of International Student Orientation, oversee their peer World Leaders and ensure that International Student Orientation, Extended Orientation, and LPP are successful.
  - World Ambassador: (10) assist with office outreach and presentations. Build relationships and community amongst student organizations in the office.
  - Public Relations Intern: (2) responsible for ISL's social media presence, ISL blog, weekly newsletter, and any special projects assigned by staff.

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- GT Student Employee Structure
  - General ISSS Student Assistant: clerical work, technology assistance and testing.
  - ISSS Student Engagement Assistant: assist with event planning, marketing, and social media outreach.
  - ISSS Exchange Student Assistant: assist with exchange student population that comes every Fall and Spring semesters. ~100 students each semester. Program planning, administrative assistance, communication plan.
  - Check-in Assistants: hire 15-20 assistants for August to assist with the immigration document check-in process.
  - Check-in Student Leader: hire 1 leader for summer into August who leads group of student workers. Special projects include New Student Guide, logistics of check-in (signage, branding, etc)

#### Small Group Discussion

- What does your office need?
- What resources would it take to implement new, or improve existing student employee positions?
- What could your office do to support growth and development of position(s)?