

MSL Diversity Educator Application Packet 2017-2018

MSL Diversity Educators are student volunteers who are dedicated to promoting diversity, multiculturalism, and social justice. This group will function as a proactive educational advocacy group that promotes diversity and acceptance at The University of Tennessee. MSL Diversity Educators will help develop and present educational workshops to promote the awareness, acceptance and necessity for diversity to fellow students.

Diversity Educators will serve as a valuable resource for students, faculty, staff, and campus organizations.

Program Goals & Objectives

MSL Diversity Educators will facilitate educational programs on diversity, multiculturalism, and other special topics for interested organizations, offices, and academic classes. The primary goal is to increase awareness of diversity related concerns while creating a dialogue that explores the campus definition and understanding of diversity.

We commit to help our students gain insights, value diversity, and take actions by:

- Creating a cultural surrounding where diversity is a driving force.
- Increasing appreciation of differences and similarities.
- Limiting the influence of stereotypes.
- Transforming knowledge into acceptance and empathy.
- Understanding the impact of their behaviors on others.

What does it take to become a MSL Diversity Educator?

- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher and be in good disciplinary standing.
- Attend required team meetings and training sessions.
- Have strong oral and written communications skills.
- Exhibit a commitment to diversity.
- Display a willingness to learn more about topics and issues of diversity.
- Serve as a role model to all students and the University community.
- Possess high sensitivity to global cultural issues and concerns.
- Demonstrate strong leadership, interpersonal, and presentation skills.
- Facilitate diversity education workshops and activities for University of Tennessee students.
- Be highly-motivated, patient, enthusiastic, and able to work independently and as part of a team.
- Be knowledgeable of and familiar with the University of Tennessee's and Office of Multicultural Student Life's mission and goals.

Please return the completed application packet to:

The Office of Multicultural Student Life located in The Black Cultural Center (1800 Melrose Avenue)

Your completed packet should include:

1. Completed Application Form
2. Two Completed Recommendation Forms by a University of Tennessee Faculty Member and/or Staff Member (i.e. Supervisor, Student Organization Advisor, etc.)
3. Resume

Application Due: No later than 5:00 PM on Friday, March 3, 2017.

**DIVERSITY EDUCATION PROGRAM
MSL Diversity Educator Application Form**

****All fields are required. Please print/type****

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Student ID #: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Classification: _____ **Major/School:** _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ **Expected Graduation Date:** _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ **Cell Phone:** (_____) _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____ **@vols.utk.edu OR** _____

List your campus involvement (names of organizations/programs): _____

List all leadership trainings and positions (name of organizations and dates):

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Essay Questions:

Please answer the following questions in no more than 250 words and attach it to this document (please type):

1. Why do you want to become a Diversity Educator and what do you hope to gain from this experience?
2. What is your passion and how would you apply it as a Diversity Educator?
3. How do you promote diversity on campus? What ideas do you have to promote diversity?
4. How would you define diversity?

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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SELECTION PROCESS TIMELINE
2017-2018**

February 3, 2017	Applications available at: Frieson Black Cultural Center or at: http://multicultural.utk.edu/programs/diversity-education/
February 13, 2017	Interest meeting and Q/A Panel Frieson Black Cultural Center (FBCC)
February 20-24, 2017	I Love DE Week Locations: FBCC and Ped Walkway
March 3, 2017	Application and recommendation forms DUE to Frieson Black Cultural Center front desk no later than 5:00 PM
March 4-5, 2017	Interviews will be scheduled on an online form
March 6, 2017-March 9, 2017	Individual Interviews Frieson Black Cultural Center (FBCC)
March 10, 2017	Candidates Notified of Status

For more information or questions please contact:

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