

What is an ARA?

The ARA is a member of the Deans' Staff who serves in a voluntary position under the RD and partners with the RA. An ARA works to cultivate authentic spiritual friendships on the wing that grow in reflecting the biblical one-anothers. This includes an awareness of and care for the physical and spiritual needs of the students on the wing.

How do I know if being an ARA is right for me?

The ARA should be someone who exhibits:

1. A maturing walk with the Lord and evident pursuit of Christlikeness in both word and deed.
2. A desire and ability to build relationships with fellow students on the wing.
3. An ability to see the needs of other people and to actively initiate in meeting those needs.
4. An eagerness to learn servant leadership as well as teachability to follow one's leaders well.
5. A growing expression of selfless service.

What are the ARA's responsibilities?

- Plan, promote and participate in all wing activities and service.
- Supports the RA with wing administration/events and services, including but not limited to: lounge duty, wing/dorm supervision, wing communication and small group facilitation and promotion.
- Support the RA personally by asking how to help (whether personally or directly related to their RA ministry), offering encouragement, and demonstrating an attitude of teamwork and helpfulness.
- Complete all summer preparation assignments by the time specified by the Deans, participate in the leadership meetings, dorm retreats and dorm staff meetings.

What meetings are expected?

1. Biweekly meetings with your RD for encouragement and leadership/personal development.
2. Biweekly meeting with your RA for mutual encouragement, praying for the wing, event planning, etc.
3. Leadership Training Meetings.
4. Leading a weekly small group on the wing.

How many hours per week will this commitment require?

Over the course of a month it will average 4 hours per week.

How do you become an ARA?

1. Acquire, complete, and return the Student Leadership Application on time.
2. Be appointed to leadership by the Student Leadership Application Committee.

Is there a scholarship involved?

No, this is a volunteer position.

What if I still have more questions?

You can contact your RD or stop by King Hall with any questions.