

Oliver Wilson Freshman Academy and Sophomore Academy

What:

The Oliver Wilson Freshman Academy and Sophomore Academy programs are support programs for first generation college students that help to develop academic, career, and personal skills necessary to be successful in college and after graduation. These programs offer multi-dimensional support both in group and one-on-one settings. The Oliver Wilson Freshmen Academy focuses on easing the transition for students from high school to college, with a heavy emphasis on academic preparation and skill building. Sophomore Academy continues to build on that foundation while also pushing students to recognize the importance of a career action plan as they progress through their time in college.

The practicum student will assist the Freshman and Sophomore Academy Staff with a variety of duties aimed at providing academic, social, and career support to students involved in the program. Duties include the following:

- Assist with programming and logistics for Tuesday Night Study Tables (practicum student must be available on Tuesdays from 5-8pm)
- Meet individually with students to discuss personal and professional goals
- Collaborate with the Career Center to develop career action plans for students
- Connect students to appropriate campus and community resources
- Provide interventions where necessary
- Work intrusively with academic at-risk students to create recovery plans
- Conduct outreach at midterms to students with low grades
- Maintain records of interactions with students in EAB
- Assist in organizing social/career events for the program participants
- Other duties as assigned

Where/When:

The practicum student would work in Allendale in 200 Student Services, with occasional off-site events associated with the program. The student will need to be available Tuesdays from 5-8pm. Other hours will typically be done during the office operating hours Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. The expectation is 10 hours a week for the entire 15 week semester. The practicum will be for the fall semester with the potential of being hired for winter semester as a graduate assistant.

For more information:

Interested applicants should direct questions to Alexis Schewe, scheweal@gvsu.edu. If interested in applying, please e-mail a resume and cover letter to Alexis. Interviews to follow.