

Advocacy Ambassador to the Student Advocacy Committee Position Description
(8 positions available, unpaid position)

The **UCLA LGBTQ Student Advocacy Committee** is a leadership development opportunity for UCLA graduate and undergraduate students to address LGBTQIA+ related concerns on campus. The Committee is organized into subcommittees based on two issue areas (for example, supporting QTBIPOC students and health and wellness, etc.). Issue areas may fluctuate each academic year, depending on campus advocacy priorities and committee members' interests. All committee members are supervised by the Director of the UCLA LGBTQ Campus Resource Center. General subcommittee members are also supported by the four Subcommittee Co-Leads, who work in pairs to oversee their assigned subcommittee/issue areas.

Meeting Times & Committee Expectations:

During "even" weeks, the **General Committee** meets, which includes the LGBTQ CRC Director and all Subcommittee Co-Leads. During "odd" weeks, Subcommittees meet, which include the Subcommittee Co-Leads, General Subcommittee Members, and Advocacy Ambassadors assigned to that issue area. Meetings are held for an hour via Zoom.

Advocacy Ambassadors attend Subcommittee meetings on "odd" weeks and during "even weeks", may work on assigned tasks, based on their interest and availability. While not required, Advocacy Ambassadors are welcome to join the General Committee Meetings.

Ambassador Responsibilities:

- Work with the LGBTQ CRC Director, Subcommittee Co-Leads, General Subcommittee Members, and Advocacy Ambassadors to raise awareness of critical issues that impact UCLA's LGBTQIA+ community.
- May consult with the UCLA LGBTQ CRC Director and/or participate in Zoom meetings with other campus administrators, department heads, students, staff, and faculty to discuss relevant issues
- Stay in communication with other Advocacy Ambassadors, Subcommittee members and Co-Leads via internal Slack channel and/or other forms of communications the Committee decides upon.

Minimum Position Qualifications:

- Willingness to learn and/or knowledge, sensitivity, and understanding of diverse lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, asexual, and aromantic people in a global context
- Demonstrated commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion that centers social justice and intersectionality
- Willingness to learn and/or knowledge and understanding of Queer, Trans, Black, Indigenous, People of Color experiences
- Ability to work and carry out projects without everyday direct supervision
- Ability to follow instructions and accept/apply constructive feedback with a positive attitude to improve performance
- Must be a currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate student at UCLA

Preferred Position Qualifications:

- Previous experience in LGBTQ or cultural center spaces
- Previous experience working with historically underrepresented populations
- Previous advocacy, governmental and/or leadership experience

Compensation:

There is no compensation for the Advocacy Ambassador role.

All 2020-2021 LGBTQ Student Advocacy Committee appointments run from Winter 2020 – June 2021, excluding academic holidays. Interviews for the Subcommittee Co-Leads and General Subcommittee Members will be held via Zoom by the end week 1 of Winter quarter. Applications for the Subcommittee Co-Leads and General Subcommittee Members are due by Mon Jan 4th, 2021 at 9am PST and interviews will be held via Zoom by the end week 1 of Winter quarter.

If you have any questions, email Minnie Esquivel Gopar (mgopar@lgbt.ucla.edu).

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