



Residential Service Initiative

Co- Director 2026-2027

[Apply by Friday, June 26 at 11:59 pm](#)

Since 2018, the Residential Service Initiative (RSI), a partnership with the [Public Service Center \(PSC\)](#) and ResLife, has created community service opportunities in Berkeley and neighboring communities for more than 8,000 students living on campus in UC Berkeley's residence halls. The co-directors support Vice Presidents in Philanthropy (VPP) with developing and implementing service projects while facilitating a 1-unit PSC leadership seminar. Prior experience living in a dorm for 1 year is preferred, but not required.

Key Responsibilities

The 2 Residential Service Initiative (RSI) co-directors work together to train and support VPPs in organizing engaged service events for students living in the Residence Hall community.

Develop and facilitate Weekly Seminar: Directors and VPPs are required to enroll in the PSC Leader Units (1 unit each). To supplement the units' requirements, co-directors hold weekly seminars. Co-director duties include: developing the seminar syllabus, lesson plans, and materials. Seminar topics include: social justice & community engagement, community building, event planning, and basic needs (previous seminar curriculum will be available for adaptation). In addition, Directors are available to coach VPPs through challenges they experience planning their service events during office hours.

Meet with PSC Staff: Directors meet with the program manager each week to plan for the seminar, discuss pressing issues impacting VPPs, and hone their leadership skills. Directors will also attend 1:1 coaching sessions with the program manager 3 times per year to discuss their personal and professional goals.

Attend PSC Centerwide Events & Training, including SLSO & SLSR: RSI is one of the many service programs housed within the UC Berkeley Public Service Center (PSC). For all PSC student leaders to live and practice PSC values and approaches to service, all Directors and VPPs are required to attend Students Leaders in Service Orientation (August 26, 2025), Student Leaders in Service Retreat (in January), RSI Retreat (late January) and all Centerwide Trainings (usually 2-3 per semester).

Support with Recruitment: In collaboration with RHA, develop recruitment materials for incoming RSI Directors and VPPs.

Summer assignment: The summer assignment includes a personal and professional individual development plan, reading and short reflection, a collaborative document with your Co-Director, and determine your seminar day of the week and time. Due August 14th, 2025. Information to be shared at the transition meeting on May 8th.

Hours: an average of 8 hours/week

Compensation: Need-based scholarship of \$5,000 for financial aid eligible students through the Peter E. Haas Public Service Leaders Program.

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Additional Questions? We love to chat with you!

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