

Student Life Mentor: Orientation

June – September 2025

Position:	Student Life Mentor – Orientation
Unit & Department:	Office of Student Life, Student Affairs
Remuneration:	\$20.00/hour + 4% in lieu of vacation and benefits
Number of Openings:	40 positions

Position summary

The Student Life Mentor (SLM) role is embedded within the Office of Student Life (OSL), a team that is dedicated to creating supportive spaces, responsive programming and engaging UVic students in matters most important to them. This role is an exciting opportunity for anyone who is interested in engaging UVic students in conversations about campus resources, services, and to act as a guide for navigating the campus community. Student Life Mentors act as vital parts of the Office of Student Life team by acting as peer leaders in fostering relationships and community for all UVic students, mentoring student engagement and growth, and facilitating peer-based support and education initiatives.

The **SLM – Orientation** role supports the delivery of new student orientation programming run by the OSL, including tours and welcome events during the first week of September.

Summary of qualifications

- Current status as a UVic undergraduate or graduate student
- Lived experience as, and/or experience working with underrepresented students (e.g. 2SLGBTQIA+ students, Indigenous students, BIPOC students, International students, students with disabilities, first generation students etc.) and a variety of students who have diverse worldviews and degrees of familiarity with the campus community
- Comfort with facilitation and/or presenter experience
- Ability to share information about campus resources in a caring, thoughtful, and inclusive ways
- Exercises good judgement and critical thinking
- Strong, accessible communication skills
- Ability to work independently and in a team environment
- Passion for the student experience and community building
- Must have the ability to engage in critical self-reflection and an understanding of the wide variety of different experiences, challenges, and barriers new students may encounter when starting at UVic

Role expectations: Orientation

- Create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students



- Encourage active, accessible participation from all student participants
- Answer questions from new students and share tips and experiences gained during your time at UVic
- Lead new student campus tours, including:
 - Checking in your group members as they arrive
 - Facilitating ice-breaker activities
 - Providing an intentional, informed territory acknowledgment to your group
 - Offering information on campus buildings, the services they offer, how to access these services, and further resources available on and off campus
- Support the set-up and take-down of orientation events

Time Commitment

- All SLMs MUST be available Sunday, August 24 for in-person training
- All SLMs must be available to complete approximately 10 hours of self-paced online training during Summer 2025
- All Orientation SLMs MUST be available for the three following dates: **Friday, August 29; Monday, September 1; and Tuesday, September 2.** You will be scheduled for **two day-long shifts maximum** during this period
- Additional opportunities may be available for January and May orientations and event support throughout the academic year

How to apply

The OSLS is recruiting SLMs to participate in four (4) distinct program teams for the 2025-2026 academic year. You may apply to multiple teams but can only be accepted to one continuous program team, as well as Orientation. SLMs may be selected for Orientation on its own, a continuous program on its own, or both Orientation and a continuous program.

Program teams include:

- **Orientation** (short-term)
- **Student Leadership** (continuous)
- **Student Communications** (continuous)
- **Sexualized Violence Prevention** (continuous)

Please indicate your interest in the Student Life Mentor role by filling out this form.

Applicants will be required to submit written responses for each programming team they express interest in. For more details, see the application form.

Any questions about the application form can be submitted via email to studentlifementor@uvic.ca or asked at our [Info Session on Friday, March 14 from 10 am to 11 am PST via Zoom.](#)

Applications must be submitted by **11:59 pm on Sunday, March 23.**