



Boston University Sustainability

Resident Sustainability Leaders: Warren Towers, West Campus

Hours: 20 hours/week

Available: Applications open each Spring Semester

Paid Internship

Open to: Rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors in good standing (academic, judicial, financial) at Boston University

The Resident Sustainability Leaders (RSL) program is a year-long commitment to promote sustainability in student housing and provide support to residents on sustainability subjects ranging from recycling to energy, water, waste, and more. Through this program, the RSLs will help support BU's Climate Action Plan. While they are principally a part of the BU Sustainability team, RSLs will also be a part of the Residence Life team and promote a positive and healthy environment where students can live, learn, and thrive. RSLs will work in parallel with Resident Assistants (RAs) and Residence Hall Councils (RHC) to uphold the values of BU Residence Life.

The Resident Sustainability Leaders program covers two Residential Neighborhoods: Warren Towers and West Campus. We are looking for candidates that have a deep commitment to sustainability, as well as to the BU community. We are seeking students who will be our partners in building a robust program in residences across campus in the coming years.

Duties:

- Administrative
 - Weekly reflection/log
 - Weekly supervision meeting with Sustainability Engagement Manager
 - Plan or collaborate on 6 activities per year (funding available through BU Sustainability)
 - Brainstorm ways to improve and expand programming with BU Sustainability and Residence Life
- Daily
 - Model sustainable behavior, engage fellow students in conversation about it
 - Assist residents with everyday sustainability concerns
 - Be an active part of community life in your residence halls
- Weekly
 - Attend Wednesday night Residence Life staff meetings (held from 7:00 to 11:00 PM) as needed

- Residence hall walkthrough, including monitoring and inspecting waste stations on every floor in your assigned tower, making note of recurring issues and actively engaging residents
- Hold open hours two times per week for a total of at least three hours (around your class schedule) in your room or in a common space of your choosing within your residence hall
- Monthly
 - Host a table in your assigned residence hall or outside the dining hall
- Ongoing/Rolling
 - Collaborate with Residence Hall Council on activities
 - Promote and conduct Green Room Certifications for residents
 - Provide training and/or advice to RAs on sustainable living
 - Incorporate sustainability practices into regular Residence Life activities
 - Promote and use the BU Sustainability app and teach students how to download and use it
 - Promote BU Sustainability events as needed
 - Participate in annual Student Sustainability Leadership Symposium
 - Other duties as needed/assigned

Qualifications:

- A current Boston University student, with sophomore, junior, or senior status in the Fall of the coming academic year
- In good University academic, judicial, and financial standing
- A GPA of a 2.70 or higher
- Completion of Part 1 of the EVERFI Sexual Misconduct Training by application date
- A certified FULL-TIME student who plans to serve for both fall AND spring semesters of the coming academic year
- Able to attend all training exercises. The RSL will participate in training with BU Sustainability as well as portions of RA Training, in August (specific dates available during interview process). (NOTE: Should your availability change for this period of training, you will not be able to continue to be an RSL.)
- Able to attend Wednesday night Residence Life staff meetings (held from 7:00 to 11:00 PM) as needed. (If your class schedule changes and you cannot make Wednesday night meetings, you may not be able to continue as a RSL.)
- Able to commit to approximately 20 hours per week, which is considered your first-priority, nonacademic time commitment
- Please note that Warren Towers and West Campus are dormitory-style housing with gendered shared bathrooms that cannot accommodate gender-neutral housing. West Campus includes Claflin, Rich, and Sleeper halls only

To apply, fill out the [linked form](#). Please include a Resume, Cover Letter, Work Sample, and Transcript. If you have any questions, please contact, sustainability@bu.edu.