

[International Student Ambassador Program Application 2024-2025](#)

The International Student Ambassador Program (ISAP) is a highly competitive scholarship program for UMKC students with an interest in international education, diversity, and awareness. Ambassadors will be awarded a yearly scholarship of \$2,500. Selected applicants will be required to participate in interviews as part of the selection process.

Responsibilities:

- Assist new international students in the transition process from their home country to the U.S. and UMKC through Fall and Spring Orientations, social media, email, and live chat questions
- Cultivate a welcoming and positive environment for international students through current student outreach and event initiatives
 - Examples include Discover KC in the fall, annual Culture Fest in the spring, and other events such as trivia nights, movie nights, volunteer opportunities, etc.
- Dedicate 5 hours per week working in the International Student Affairs Office (ISAO) on Ambassador related events/projects
 - 1 hour includes a weekly Ambassador Meeting
 - 4 hours include time spent in ISAO working on events/projects
- Serve as an Orientation Leader at both Fall and Spring New International Student Orientations

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be currently enrolled at UMKC as a full-time, degree seeking student
- Be familiar with UMKC campus and surrounding community
- Possess a UMKC cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
 - If this is your first semester at UMKC, we can consider your GPA from your final year at your previous institution in lieu of a UMKC cumulative GPA
 - We will review GPAs for all selected ambassadors at the end of the Spring 2024 semester to confirm continuing eligibility for the 2024-2025 academic year
- Both international and domestic students are welcome to apply
 - If you are a domestic student, you must have studied abroad or demonstrate strong interest in international education and awareness

Required Participation:

- Commit to 1 full academic year (Fall 2024 and Spring 2025)
- Attend Spring 2024 Training Day with current ambassadors to (1) discuss ISAP roles, (2) discuss Culture Fest, and (3) collaborate on the ISAP May Event
- Be available throughout the summer prior to the academic year (Summer 2024) for 2-3 check-ins/meetings and help ISAO host one summer event
- Attend mandatory Ambassador Training in August (the full week of August 5-9, plus ISAO orientation training during the week of August 12)
- Serve as an Orientation Leader during New International Student Orientations in Fall (August 15, 2024) and Spring (January 9, 2025 – must be in KC by January 6, 2025)

Along with this application, we require two (2) letters of recommendation. The letters should be from someone who knows you in an educational or professional capacity (not from family or friends). Also, the letter should specifically reference this International Student Ambassador application – letters intended for university admission will not be accepted. Please have your recommender include your full name in the letter.

Your application will only be considered complete once we have received your [online application](#) AND both of your recommendation letters submitted directly by your recommender via [THIS LINK](#).

The deadline for all application materials is **Friday, January 26th, 2024 at 5:00 pm. Late or incomplete applications will NOT be accepted.**