

CNAS Science Ambassador Application 2017-2018

What is the Science Ambassador Program? The Science Ambassador Program is a great opportunity for undergraduate students to represent UC Riverside’s College of Natural & Agricultural Sciences Undergraduate Programs to internal and external constituents. The Science Ambassadors are the student face of the college and assist the school as a host during official functions, make public presentations, and act as a student liaison with the various communities that CNAS serves both on and off-campus, with a particular emphasis on recruiting events and activities. Ambassadors are knowledgeable about their majors and UCR, and are easily able to communicate their passion for both to prospective students and their families. Ambassadors are highly involved in activities outside of the classroom, including undergraduate research, peer mentoring, student life, athletics, etc. Each Ambassador has a distinct voice and a unique story which all contribute to a rich diverse representation for the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences at UC Riverside. CNAS Science Ambassadors adhere to the highest standards of student conduct and academic integrity.

Qualifications/Requirements:

- Must be a CNAS major
- Minimum 3.4 cumulative GPA
- Must have attended UCR for at least one quarter and completed 12 units, or be a transfer student
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Commit to six quarters (two academic years) in the Science Ambassador Program
- Commit to at least six events a year that include weekends or weeknights
- Commit to at least eight hours per year on special Science Ambassador outreach projects
- Attend an orientation meeting and team building activity in October and monthly meetings thereafter
- Attend monthly Science Ambassador meetings
- All successful candidates must be interviewed

Benefits:

- Improve interpersonal skills
- Develop leadership, group dynamics, communication, and public speaking skills
- Meet, interact, and network with other students, faculty, administrators, community members, and the CNAS Deans
- Resumé enhancement
- Recognition at graduation with a Science Ambassador sash and reserved seating for family (benefits accrue to those who meet the minimum commitment requirements below)*

*Minimum Commitment Requirements (six):

Participation required of all Ambassadors	Participate in at least 3 events from these lists			
	Ushering	Judging	Assisting event coordinator	Recruitment/Other
Discover Day	Science Lecture 1	Science Fair	Homecoming	High school visits
Highlander Day	Science Lecture 2		Commencement	Transfer Day
Tour Training	Science Lecture 3		Holiday Party	Tours
Team Building	Science Lecture 4		Emeritus luncheon	Orientation
Orientation			Climate Day	Peer Mentor
			Chancellor’s Dinner	Presentations

