

CNAS Science Ambassador Application 2020-2021

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, outreach, 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 3.33 (B+) 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
- Strong outreach, research, and/or extracurricular experience, including work experience
- Commit to six quarters (two academic years) in the Science Ambassador Program
- Commit to at least six events a year including weekends and weeknights
- Commit to at least 8 hours per year on special Science Ambassador outreach projects
- Attend an orientation meeting and team building activity in October and monthly meetings thereafter (held on the first Thursday of the month at 5:00 p.m.)
- Attend Scholarship Breakfast and Highlander Day, held the first Saturday in April
- 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
- Recognition at graduation with a Science Ambassador sash and reserved seating for family (benefits accrue to those who meet the minimum commitment requirements)

Participation required of all Ambassadors	Examples of types of events:			
	Ushering	Judging	Assisting event coordinator	Recruitment/Other
Orientation	Science Lecture 1	Science Fairs	Homecoming	High school visits
Highlander Day	Science Lecture 2	Science Olympiad	Commencement	Transfer Day
Tour Training	Science Lecture 3		VIP Events	Tours
Team Building	Science Lecture 4		Emeritus Luncheon	Presentations
			Conference Registration	Student Panels
			Botanic Garden Sales	K-12 Outreach

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Name: _____			
First	Middle	Last	
Current Address: _____			
Street Address	City	State	Zip
Phone: _____	Email: _____		
Major(s): _____	Units Completed: _____		
	<input type="checkbox"/> NA – Transfer student		
Expected Date of Graduation: _____			
Minor(s): _____	GPA: _____		
UCR Student ID Number _____			
High School Attended/Hometown: _____			
Other College/Universities Attended: _____			
Extracurricular Activities: _____			

Why do you want to be a Science Ambassador, a representative for the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences? Attach additional pages if needed (recommended)			

<input type="checkbox"/> I have reviewed and understand the requirements and expectations of a Science Ambassador. I understand that failure to meet these requirements may jeopardize my standing in the program.			
<input type="checkbox"/> I consent to a review of my conduct and academic integrity records to verify good standing.			

(Signature)			

Submit your **completed** application to Carol Lerner, CNAS Dean’s Office, by **April 28, 2020**
Via email to carol.lerner@ucr.edu