



**Senior Service Advocate  
Student Handbook  
Fall 2020-Spring 2021**

# SENIOR SERVICE ADVOCATE PROGRAM

## **Program Description:**

Offering outstanding students an opportunity to participate in a yearlong civic engagement and service program, the Senior Service Advocate program provides students with the knowledge and skills to become active leaders. Highlighted by regular training, mentoring to undergraduate Service Advocates and reflection activities, students engage in valuable leadership experiences in the Aquidneck Island Community and endeavors to promote a positive culture of service and civic engagement on campus.

This service and leadership program is designed to help inspire a sense of real community activism among senior students, promoting change throughout their time at Salve Regina University. Creating leaders in service through dedication, passion and motivation are the goals of the program. If chosen to be a Senior Service Advocate, students will receive a scholarship of \$1,300 per year enhancing their educational experience.

## **Senior Service Advocate Learning Outcomes:**

By participating in the Senior Service Advocate program, students will be able to demonstrate:

- Develop leadership and communication skills as well as strengthen self-confidence
- Deepen their commitment surrounding the Critical Concerns of Mercy
- Integrate the values of service and social justice into career and life goals

## **Program Requirements**

As Senior Service Advocates, students must:

- Be a full-time undergraduate rising Senior student in good academic standing before and throughout the program
- Successfully completed the Service Advocate Program for at least one year.
- Positive recommendation from Service Advocate community partner.

## **Program Outline:**

**A.** Participate in a one day leadership training TBD

**B.** Co-organize one group service program/project per semester (please select)

### Fall Semester 2020:

Mercy Week

Hunger & Homeless Awareness Week (November)

Feed-A-Family Thanksgiving Drive (November)

Angel Tree Drive (December)

### Spring Semester 2021:

Stepping out of Darkness Day Shoe Drive (March)

Share the Love Week (February)

End-of-the-Year Drive (May)

Rebuilding Together Greater Newport (April)

**C.** Plan, facilitate and lead a Service Advocate leadership retreat (select one)

September (TBA) 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

December (TBA) 9:00 A.M.-Noon

**D.** Plan, facilitate and lead one monthly dinner, lunch or breakfast (**select one per month**)

### **September:**

Monday, Sept. 9 at 5-6 P.M.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 at noon

Friday, Sept. 13 at 9-10 A.M.

### **October:**

Monday, Oct. 7 at 5-6 P.M.

Wednesday, Oct. 9 at noon  
Friday, Oct. 11 at 9-10 A.M.

**November:**

Monday, Nov. 11 at 5-6 P.M.  
Wednesday, Nov. 13 at noon  
Friday, Nov. 15 at 9-10 A.M.

**December:**

Monday, Dec. 9 at 5-6 P.M.  
Wednesday, Dec. 11 at noon  
Friday, Dec. 13 at 9-10 A.M.

**E.** Mentor a cohort of 5 service advocates

**F.** 1 Office hour per week

**G.** Share a culminating reflection of service at end of the year event. (Ex: SRU Day, conference, partner panel, Newport Partnership for Families Meeting. Reflection can include video, paper, PowerPoint, and/or poster.

**Center for Community Engagement & Service Webpage:**

The Center for Community Engagement and Service at Salve Regina University website contains information about service and service projects programs, as well as links to service projects resources. <http://salve.edu/office-service/community-service>

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