



**Senior Service Advocate
Student Handbook
Fall 2019-Spring 2020**

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 \$1,000 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:

Office of Community Service
Feinstein Enriching America Program
Salve Regina University
Community Partner Handbook
Updated 03/2019

- 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 2019:

Mercy Week (September 18-25)

Hunger & Homeless Awareness Week (November 16-22)

Feed-A-Family Thanksgiving Drive (November 21)

Angel Tree Drive (December 16)

Spring Semester 2020:

Stepping out of Darkness Day Shoe Drive (March 25)

Share the Love Week (February 10th – Feb 14)

End-of-the-Year Drive (May 4-8th)

Rebuilding Together Greater Newport (April 25)

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

- September 14th 2019 from 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
- December 10th 2019 – 9:00 A.M.-Noon

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

- **Monday, Sept. 9 at 5-6 P.M.**
- **Wednesday, Sept. 11 at noon**
- **Friday, Sept. 13 at 9-10 A.M.**
- **Monday, Oct. 7 at 5-6 P.M.**
- **Wednesday, Oct. 9 at noon**
- **Friday, Oct. 11 at 9-10 A.M.**
- **Monday, Nov. 11 at 5-6 P.M.**
- **Wednesday, Nov. 13 at noon**
- **Friday, Nov. 15 at 9-10 A.M.**
- **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.

2019-2020 IMPORTANT DATES

Invitation to apply April 12st 2019

Application due April 23rd 2019

Application review April 23-April 24th 2019

Notification of SSA April 25th 2019

Senior Service Advocate leadership training: TBD by group

Start of Service Advocates: August 28 – September 20, 2019 (depending on student schedule)

Office of Community Service Webpage:

The Office of Community 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>

Office of Community Service at Salve Regina University Staff:

Mail Use for all Community Service Staff:

Office of Community Service
Salve Regina University
100 Ochre Court
Newport, RI 02840

Contact the Office of Community Service:

Kelly Powers
Director of Community Service
kellyj.powers@salve.edu
401-341-2641

Kathleen Rendos
Office Coordinator
kathleen.rendos@salve.edu
401-341-3298

Created by:

**The Office of Community Service
Feinstein “Enriching America” Program**

Location: Wakehurst 201,202, 203

Phone: 401-341-2440

Email: Community.Services@Salve.edu

Twitter: @SalveService

Facebook.com/SalveCommunityService

Instagram: SalveService

