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JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Residence Life Co-ordinator (Live-in single occupancy position)

Position reports to: Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations

Role of Department

The Residence Life Co-ordinator (RLC) will support the delivery of student support services at BUSA London, including the delivery of a high standard of student resources, engagement activities, welfare provision, and housing for approximately 1,200 BUSA London students per year. The Residence Life Co-ordinator will coordinate the daily provision of a high standard of welfare support and pastoral care in residence life activities.

Primary purpose of job

- Be a primary member of the BUSA London on-call team.
- Manage the Resident Life Supervisor (RLS) team on daily basis, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- Provide support on wide range of residence life issues, working flexibly across BU London residences and the main office, ensuring that students receive the support they need.
- Undertake an active role in the wider Student Affairs team, responding to student enquiries appropriately and efficiently, and supporting effective student communication.
- Work with the maintenance and housekeeping team, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- Design and deliver a programme of social activities within housing to develop community and cohesion in residence life.
- Assist the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations in the coordination of out-of-hours student support and emergency response among the RLS team.

Principal duties and responsibilities

- 1. Assist in the efficient day-to-day operation of residence life, with support for Student Affairs activities.
- 2. Handle out of hours issues and emergencies efficiently as part of the BUSA London on-call team in a professional manner. Reporting information and keeping records as neccessary.
- 3. Manage the daily tasks and workload of the Residence Life Supervisor team.
- 4. Liase with Housekeeping, Maintenance and Security staff on student incidents, well-being and behaviour.
- 5. Complete and update incident reports proactively.
- 6. Assist the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations in the coordination of student room

- allocations each semester across the BU London residences.
- 7. Respond to initial student issues in relation to residence life, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- 8. Design and deliver a programme of social activities within housing to foster community and cohesion in residence life, within budget, under the direction of the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations.
- 9. Support the wider Students Affairs team with Arrivals and Departures processes from planning to delivery.
- 10. Receive and respond to wider generic students' enquiries and personal concerns efficiently in line with BU policies, escalating to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- 11. Co-ordinate the production and dissemination of relevant and updated information throughout the main building and student residences, including posters, printed and digital materials, including newsletters.
- 12. Sharing the responsibility to cover the reception desk as required during office hours.
- 13. Understand and support the requirements of the UKVI Student Visa system and share staff responsibility on passport and visa compliance checks
- 14. Be aware of and remain compliant with a number of required procedures and laws including: incident reports, Title IX, Cleary Act, FERPA, diversity and inclusion etc

Principal working relationships - whom the role interacts with on a regular basis:

Students

Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations

Residence Life Supervisors

Senior Associate Director, Student Support & Operations

Student Affairs Office staff

Maintenance and Housekeeping teams

Security staff

It is essential that the post-holder is lively, enthusiastic and thoroughly immersed in providing an excellent student experience. They must be able to work flexibly as the need arises. A positive, outgoing and flexible attitude with a can-do approach are essential.

Job qualifications & competencies - qualifications, skills and attributes required for role:

Essential:

- Experience of being on-call, responding under pressure and competent in managing emergency situations following agreed procedures.
- Line management experience with the ability to develop an effective team.
- Available to work at weekends and evenings, on an agreed rota basis.
- Experience of higher education and student housing.
- Flexible, proactive and responsive.
- An ability to problem solve and work under pressure.
- An ability to identify serious issues and work in confidential situations.

Desirable:

- Excellent attention to detail.
- Good understanding of the issues for students studying and living in London and passion for life in London and the UK.
- Experience of working in a culturally diverse environment.
- Experience and/or knowledge of working with international students experiencing cultural adjustment

This description is not intended to be a complete statement of job content, but rather to serve as a general guide to the essential functions of the position. Boston University retains the discretion to add to or change the duties of the position at any time.