

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What do I do when I'm on duty?**

When an RA is on duty they are considered to be on call and a first responder to anything that may occur in the building. Potential events include visitation and alcohol violations. RAs are expected to tour the building to monitor the activity of the building. It also is a great opportunity to get to know the residents of the building.

### **How often are you on duty?**

It depends on the building and the size of the staff. There are always one or more RAs on duty each day. On average an RA could be on duty anywhere from 1-3 times per week. If you have specific questions about a building please contact the Residence Hall Director or an RA.

### **What is the interview process like?**

Candidates will proceed through two stages of the interview process including an individual and group interview. The group process is first and will be held on January 21st. The group process consists of activities that will be completed with fellow candidates in a team format. Individual interviews will occur on Thursday and Friday, January 26-27. A current RA and a Residence Hall Director/Assistant Hall Director will interview you.

### **How are buildings assigned?**

Placement is decided based on the best fit as determined by the Residence Hall Directors

### **What does an RA do besides being on duty?**

RAs work to foster relationships and community on their floor and in their building as a whole. Hall, floor and campus-wide programming is done to encourage the Jesuit value of Cura Personalis. Residents and professionals often view RAs as informative resources about the happenings of Marquette University.

### **Can I have a social life and be an RA?**

Yes! It is vital for RAs to balance their position and to see the value of taking time for oneself to develop as a person.

### **Can I be involved in other student organizations and be an RA?**

Yes you can! Successful RAs are well rounded in student organizations and can serve as a role model for their students.

### **Can I have a job and be an RA?**

Yes! You may hold a job outside of the Office of Residence Life and can work up to 10 hours a week.

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## Average Weekly Breakdown

Several current Resident Assistants were asked to estimate the time they spend doing weekly activities in their current position. Their breakdown is as follows:

- Weekly Staff Meeting: 2 hours a week
- One-on-One meeting with supervisor: 1 hour every other week
- RA Class: 2 hours a week for 8 weeks (first semester only)
- Programming: 1-3 hours a week
- Additional leadership roles (including hall council, ORL committees, late night): 1 hr a week
- Duty: varies by building
- Being present and available on floor