About the Position

The Committee Coordinator position is responsible for coordinating Associated Students and University committees by facilitating student recruitment, appointment, training, and recognition.

Position Classification

Coordinators provide programming for the Associated Students as a whole and facilitate events, offices and groups throughout the Western and Bellingham community. Coordinators report to department directors or supervisors. Specific duties include but are not limited to: Event programming, departmental Student Budget Coordinator, coordinating specific office functions, performing administrative work, supervising assistant coordinators, promote office and events, and maintain and update programming resources for the department.

About the Department

The REP exists to provide the resources, services, and support necessary to ensure student representation in decisions that impact students at the university, local, state, and federal levels; to promote effective citizenship and civic engagement through services, programs, and collaboration.

Terms of Position

This is a three quarter position. This position starts the Monday two weeks before the start of classes fall quarter and ends the Friday of finals week the following spring quarter. This position works an average of 15 hours per week. The position holder may work more some weeks and less other weeks depending on the office's needs. The position holder is neither required nor expected to work during intersession, winter break or spring break. This position requires 20 hours of work to be completed between mid-July and AS Fall Training, scheduled in coordination with Representation and Engagement Programs Director.

AS Employment Qualifications

• Maintain a minimum credit load throughout term of position of 6 credits for undergraduates and 4 credits for graduates.
• Maintain a minimum of a 2.00 cumulative grade point average.
• Ability to complete the entire term of the position.

Preferred Qualifications

• Organizational and time management skills.
• Ability to communicate and work effectively with a wide variety of people on Western's campus and in the Bellingham community.
• Ability to work independently and responsibly, while supervising others.
• Ability to work collaboratively with multiple people and organizations
• Ability to work within deadlines and problem solve
• Ability to work flexible hours
• Budget management knowledge or experience
• Basic knowledge of AS and University committee structures
• Experience with parliamentary procedures.
• Ability to work independently on projects with minimum supervision in an atmosphere of ongoing distractions.
• Experience with MS Excel, MS Word, MS Outlook
• Self-motivated to seek out information
• Knowledge of or experience in training or mentoring others

AS Employment Responsibilities

• Serve the diverse membership of the Associated Students in a professional and ethical manner by:
  o Being familiar with and upholding the AS Charter, all WWUPolicies, and all AS policies including the Employment Policy, Code of Conduct, and Program Standards,
  o Attending all AS staff development events including, but not limited to: pre-fall orientation, pre-winter, pre-spring, and mid-quarter staff developments,
  o Being knowledgeable of the AS organization and its general operations,
  o Serving on search committees as designated by the AS Personnel Director.

• Ensure the legacy of this position by:
  o Working with supervisor and Personnel Director to revise and update position job description.
  o Working with the previous position holder to complete a minimum of 15 hours of unpaid internship as well as providing a 15 hour internship to the incoming position holder,
  o Developing and maintaining a legacy document as required by the AS Employment Policy.

AS Representation and Engagement Programs Responsibilities

• Empower and support the Associated Students membership with civic engagement information, activities, and peer education by:
  o Maintaining 10 regular posted office hours per week as arranged with the REP team.
  o Providing unbiased, nonjudgmental, and accurate information and services to students,
  o Maintaining up-to-date records and information of on and off campus services in order to provide effective referrals,
  o Provide voter education and voter registration information.

• Ensure the smooth, effective operations of the Representation and Engagement Programs by:
  o Attending weekly REP staff meetings, office check-ins, and any additional departmental activities.
  o Promoting teamwork and collaboration throughout the REP office,
  o Assisting with the coordination of activities, materials, and tabling schedules for all REP civic engagement events,
  o Establishing and maintaining active working relationships with other REP team members.

• Develop and enhance the teamwork, communication, and effectiveness of the REP by:
  o Planning short- and long-term goals for the REP with office staff and the REP Director,
  o Continually receiving feedback from participants of events and services,
  o Maintaining regular communication with REP staff outside of meetings.

• Foster working relationships with related campus and community resources by:
  o Being aware of and participating in REP related events.
  o Fostering and enhancing working relationships and communication with Western Votes and other civic engagement organizations on campus.
Position Responsibilities

• Recruit members to ensure student perspectives are represented on AS and University Committees by:
  o Participating in relevant campus info fairs, including, but not limited to Red Square Info Fair to promote AS and University committees,
  o Developing and producing marketing materials for use at events to recruit committee members.
  o Reaching out to the student body through such means as tabling, and contacting classes, departments, residence halls, clubs, past committee members, and other campus organizations.
  o Coordinating with RHA to promote and obtain required RHA representatives,
  o Promoting the committee system as an opportunity for student involvement and advancement.

• Prepare committee appointees for their assignments by:
  o Establishing and maintaining a training system.
  o Training committee appointees about the AS, the REP Office, parliamentary procedure (if applicable), and the relevant committee,
  o Providing on-going training and support for committee members and chairs as necessary.

• Foster working relationships with committee members/chairs by:
  o Establishing the position as a resource to committee members.
  o Maintaining ongoing support for committees, committee members and committee chairs and facilitating necessary communication,
  o Gauging feedback from members and adjusting processes as necessary,
  o Assessing the needs of committees, committee members, and committee chairs,
  o Providing recognition to committee members for their accomplishments and contributions.
  o Communicating with the AS Board of Directors and committee chairs as needed.

• Ensure smooth administration of the committee process by:
  o Processing applications for committee appointments
  o Creating and maintaining a database for tracking committee information and membership
  o Training AS Board members on their role with the committee application process and selection process
  o Contacting applicants not selected and suggesting other committees that are open
  o Contacting selected applicants for committee member appointments and informing them of committee specifics and putting them in contact with committee chairs and/or secretaries
  o Seeking out and changing committee information and updating committee pamphlets, databases, website, and other relevant materials,
  o Ensuring AS Board Program Coordinator has necessary information to put committee-related items on the AS Board of Directors agenda by the document deadline.

Salary

Minimum annual salary of $6655 (approximately $289 twice per month fall quarter and approximately $345 twice per month winter and spring quarters)

Reportage

This position reports directly to the AS Representation & Engagement Programs Director.

This job description is subject to change in accordance with the AS Employment Policy.