



University of Connecticut
College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture

Office of
 Academic Programs

CANR/RHSA COLLEGE AMBASSADORS

What are CANR/RHSA College Ambassadors?

Ambassadors are undergraduate students majoring in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR) and the Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture (RHSA) that assume a position of leadership and serve as advocates. These individuals work closely with the Associate Dean and staff of the Office of Academic Programs to represent CANR/RHSA to different audiences. This can include serving as a tour guide, providing recruitment presentations, assisting with co-curricular activities, and participating in alumni events. These activities and events may take place during weekdays, evenings, and/or weekends. Ambassadors also have a voice with CANR administration by providing input and contributing to discussions regarding issues that impact students in the CANR and RHSA.

Why should I apply to be a CANR/RHSA College Ambassador?

The College Ambassador position provides students opportunities for networking, professional development, enhancing a resume, public speaking, building teamwork and leadership skills, and application of classroom learning. Individuals that satisfactorily complete the expectations of this responsibility will receive a \$400 stipend at the end of the academic year. One individual from the College Ambassadors group will be chosen for the role of Student Manager, a position that involves additional leadership and responsibilities.

It is an honor to be selected as a College Ambassador. Ambassadors are selected through a competitive process that starts with a student completing the attached application.

2012 Application Timeline:

For the 2012/2013 academic year, the following timeline will be followed:

Call for applications ¹	1/23/12
Application Deadline	2/17/12
Review of applications	2/20/12 – 3/2/12
Interview	3/19/12 – 3/23/12
Notification of applicants	4/2/12

Applications will be reviewed by staff in the Office of Academic Programs. Current graduating Ambassadors may be involved in the application and/or interview process.

¹Current ambassadors wishing to continue in 2012/13 must request to do so by completing the application cover page (only) by 2/17/12.

CANR/RHSA College Ambassadors
Application for 2012-2013 Academic Year

Name: _____ Preferred first name: _____

Student ID (PeopleSoft #): _____ Major(s): _____

Email Address: _____

Expected semester of graduation: _____ Cum.GPA: _____

Local address: _____

Permanent home address: _____

Cell or Local Phone: _____ High school attended: _____

Are you interested in the Student Manager position? Yes ____ No ____

Faculty member reference (provide name only): _____

Are you planning a Study Abroad experience, a full semester internship or will you be student teaching during the next academic year? Yes ____ No ____

Qualifications:

- Student enrolled in CANR/RHSA
- Cumulative GPA of ≥ 2.5
- Have a minimum of 2 semesters remaining at the time of application (not including Spring 2012)
- Be enthusiastic about representing all student majors/programs of the College
- Be willing to meet all expectations (see below)

I understand that the minimum expectations of this 1-year position include participation in the following:

- Ambassador Orientation (full-day training on Friday, August 24th)
- Ambassador meetings (3 per semester)
- Husky Ambassador training
- Career Night
- Open House (one of two)
- Two off-campus recruiting activities (travel costs covered)
- Two other activities (FFA CDEs; Cornucopia; Scholarship and Awards Dinner; CANR Alumni activities, phone calls to prospective students, information sessions)
- Two leadership workshops (1 per semester)
- One community service activity

Signature of student applicant

Date

In addition to the application cover page, please type answers to the following questions on additional sheets of paper. For Questions 2 and 3, you may attach a copy of your resume if it includes a list of your co-curricular activities and work experiences.

Note: Current ambassadors wishing to continue in 2012/13 do not need to complete items 1-4 below, but are encouraged to submit an updated resume if available.

1. Briefly explain (300 words or less) why you are interested in representing our College as a student ambassador.
2. Please provide a list of co-curricular activities that you have participated in during the past 2 years and list any leadership positions that you held.
3. Please provide a list of your work experiences.
4. Please provide a list of any public speaking or presentation experience that you have had in the past 2 years. This may include experience you have obtained as a student or personally.

Please submit your application by February 17, 2012 to the Office of Academic Programs, Agricultural Biotechnology Laboratory Building (ABL) Rm. 202.

Or, if you prefer, you may mail your application to the address below or fax it to 860-486-4643:

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