



UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD

ORIENTATION 2012
RED CAP APPLICATION PACKET



APPLICATIONS DUE BY FEBRUARY 8, 2012
IN THE STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

What is a Red Cap?

Red Caps are orientation student leaders who are eager to help new students and their parents learn about life at the University of Hartford. A Red Cap is friendly, helpful, outgoing, enthusiastic, and wants to promote the University and the opportunities it has to offer.

Red Caps work during the early and late summer advising, informing, and entertaining incoming students and their parents. Through academic advising, campus tours, and various programs, Red Caps help the incoming students and their parents become familiar and comfortable with the University. As a Red Cap you will have the opportunity to work closely with the University's faculty and staff in an informal setting.

Red Caps will not only become part of the orientation program, but they also become a member of a very special family. Through training sessions, retreats, and fun times together, Red Caps form lasting friendships and memories that will stay with them, always.

RED CAP Application Information & Timeline

Important Information-please read the following carefully

- A. Red Caps must have a **cumulative GPA of 2.5** by the end of the Fall 2012 semester. Red Caps who drop below the grade requirement after being hired for the position may be terminated from their position.
- B. Red Caps should not have any current or previous student conduct charges or sanctions. If you have questions about your particular situation, contact Irwin Nussbaum at Nussbaum@hartford.edu.
- C. Applications must be dropped off at the Student Success Center.
- D. Applicants must be available to attend all selection activities. See "Orientation Timeline" below for specific dates.
- E. Red Caps selected for 2012 must be available for ALL Training & Orientation dates beginning February 2012 and ending early September 2012. See "Orientation Timeline" below for specific date.
- G. Red Caps are paid a total of \$450.00 split into two pays (\$275.00 after session 4, and \$175.00 after session 5 and Lift Off). Red Caps also receive free room and board while living on campus for Orientation.

2012 Red Cap Orientation Timeline

Below is a timeline of all dates and activities of the entire Red Cap/Orientation Process:

February '12

7	Red Cap Information Session (9:00-10:00 PM)	TBD
8	Red Cap Application EXTENDED DEADLINE! Turn in your application at the Student Success Center, Behind B Complex	
10	Selection Process Day 1 (8:00-10:00PM)	GSU North Cafe
11	Selection Process Day 2 (2:00 pm - 6:00 pm)	GSU North Cafe
12	Selection Process Day 3 (2:00 pm - 6:00 pm)	Auerbach Auditorium

Note: Selection Process days include activities and games so that we can get to know who you are and how you interact with the other candidates. Candidates must be available to participate in all three days of the selection process. Eliminations will be made after each day and those candidates who are not eliminated after day 3 will be invited to participate in an interview with the student directors of Orientation.

February 12/March 12

Feb 18 - March 10	Individual Candidate Interviews
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May '12

26	Red Cap Training/Orientation Sessions
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June '12

1-2	Orientation Session I
3-4	Orientation Session II
5-7	Red Cap Activities
8-9	Orientation Session III
10-11	Orientation Session IV
12	Red Cap Senior Dedication
13	Red Caps Depart Campus

August '12

27-30	Red Cap Training
31-1st	Orientation Session V
29-31	Early Adventure: 1st year students arrive

September '12

2-4	Returning students arrive
2	Day of Choices - 1st year students
TBA	Red Cap Activities for Lift Off
TBA	First Night (PM Activities for Red Caps)
5	Fall Classes Begin

2012 RED CAP APPLICATION

Please fill out the information below, and then attach a separate piece of paper with **TYPED** answers to the essay questions. (Please print **CLEARLY**)

Full Name _____

U of H ID # _____

Cell Phone _____

Hartford Email _____@hartford.edu

IM Screen Name _____

School/College _____

Major _____

Cumulative GPA _____

Date of Expected Graduation _____

QUESTIONS

1. Why do you want to become a Red Cap?

2. What does it mean to you to be a part of a team? What personal qualities do you have to offer the 2012 Orientation Program?

3. Please list any organizations, activities, and work experience you have been a part of that would contribute to your experience as a Red Cap.

4. Please tell us about your strengths and weaknesses as it relates to being an effective leader.

5. Why do you think diversity is important to the Orientation Program?

6. Based upon your experience as a student who went through Orientation, would there be anything that you would add or take away from the program? Is there anything you would like to see done differently? Please explain.

**Return to the Orientation Office (Student Success Center).
Due date: Feb. 8, 2012 by 4:00 PM**