

## **Guided Study Sessions Student Leader Position**

### **Summary:**

The UMD Guided Study Sessions (GSS) program provides academic support to students enrolled in historically difficult courses through scheduled review sessions led by peer Student Leaders. Each Student Leader is assigned to a specific course section and instructor. The primary functions of GSS Student Leaders are to attend all lectures for their assigned course; plan and facilitate group study sessions on difficult course concepts; build professional relationships with faculty, students and other GSS staff; assist students in developing transferrable learning and study skills; and support GSS program implementation. The position involves around 8-10 hours of work per week.

### **Primary Responsibilities:**

- Attend assigned content class lectures, take notes, and act as a model student.
- Plan and facilitate two, 50-minute collaborative Guided Study Sessions each week for a total of 22 sessions per semester.
- Prepare handouts, informal quizzes, and other learning aids for GSS sessions.
- Enroll in the 3 credit HESI 318N course (Leadership in Collaborative Learning Groups).
- Maintain contact throughout the semester with the course professor and the GSS Coordinator.
- Attend pre-semester and in-service staff trainings.
- Respect the privacy of student information and performance.
- Promote the GSS program and encourage student attendance.
- Uphold a professional working environment in the classroom and on campus.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- A grade of B+ or higher in the course you wish to support
- Content competency in one of the preferred areas: Biochemistry, Biology, Business and Management, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, Engineering, Mathematics, Psychology, or Physics. Other areas may be considered.
- A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above
- At least 15 credit hours completed at UMD
- Good interpersonal, organization, and time management skills
- Ability to work with students from diverse backgrounds and with varied skill levels
- Willingness to learn

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- A grade of A- or higher in the course you wish to support
- Knowledge of content-specific study strategies and note-taking skills
- Involvement on campus with student groups, campus resources, or the GSS program