



Student Leader Expectations

Thank you for your interest in serving as a student leader on an ISP or USP team!

*Above all else, we are looking for student leaders who will **invest** in every area of the team members' life, **serve** wholeheartedly to accomplish the Great Commission and **mobilize** students to longer-term ministry either overseas or stateside. Since ISP and USP are discipleship programs, we are looking for student leaders who are learners and will serve alongside their leaders. The end goal is not to get the students to the location and back safely; the goal is to see them **grow in their understanding of the Great Commission and to become more devoted followers of Jesus**. In that effort, we seek student leaders who have that same passion and will help us live it out.*

- **Qualifications** to serve as a student leader include
 - being a follower of Jesus
 - member of a local church
 - current CBU student who adheres to the policies and regulations stated in the CBU handbook
 - returning ISP or USP participant who receives a high recommendation from their former team leader
 - academic GPA of 2.5 or higher
 - must receive approval by the OSL office and Student Services

- **Roles of the student leader** vary depending on the team, but we consider several roles to be necessary for each student leader during their time of service:
 - **Bridge the Gap:** You are a bridge between the team leader and the team members. Students may feel more comfortable going to a student leader with an issue rather than the team leader. This puts the student leader in a dual role of both checking in on individual members of the team and making sure the team leader is aware of how the team is functioning on a relational level.
 - **Set an example for the team:** They will often look to the student leader for what is appropriate, how to respond to situations, when it is necessary to be serious or goofy, etc.
 - **Student Voice and Point of View:** Team leaders are typically removed from student life, so the student leader can give a different perspective and outlook on how the team members might be feeling, what their schedules are like, etc.
 - **Be Available:** Be more available than the team leader for things like team dinners in the ADC and 1-on-1's.
 - **Collaborate with the team leader:** for bible studies, team time, and team bonding activities.
 - **Fun Police:** Making sure the team has FUN as they are getting to know each other!

- Student leaders receive a **scholarship** that is automatically deducted from the total cost of the project, BUT you are still going to be held responsible for the financial deadlines.

- Your **acceptance** letter will include location, dates, training night, basic information about your team's assignment, who your team leader is, and how much you will need to raise.
- **Leader Training** is an all-day session on the Saturday before Thanksgiving break; this is mandatory for student leaders. We will review the objectives of spring training and help you prepare to lead your weekly team training time. There will also be an hour long team leader meeting before Team Reveal. Any additional leader meetings will take place during the regular spring training time.
- We estimate that student leaders will spend about **six hours a week** on MOB-related activities. (3 hours for training/team time, 1 hour for a 1-on-1 with a teammate, and 1 hour planning team time with your leader(s), 1 hour for MOB office training/mentoring group. The amount of time may change from week to week depending on your schedule or what is happening in training, and may need to occasionally include a couple of additional hours for support raising events.
- **Intensive Training Weekend (ITW)** is the first weekend in February (6pm Friday to 6pm Sunday) and it is absolutely mandatory for all ISP, USP, and SOS participants. This is like a trial run of your on-field experience, and the goal is to immerse students into a different culture and see how they respond both as a team and as individuals.
- **Teams will be on the field** beginning the first week of May, with our last team of the summer returning by early July.
- **On-the-field tasks** include helping lead daily Bible studies and prayer time, helping the leader facilitate daily debriefing, building team unity, conflict resolution, and encouraging Christ-like character development.

Thank you for taking the time to read this overview of student leader expectations and for considering partnering with us as we invest in lives to develop followers of Jesus. If you have any questions please contact us at 951-343-4918 or send an email to aopris@calbaptist.edu.

2016 Dates

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| • Leaders Announced | Early November |
| • Leader Training | Saturday, November 14 th |
| • \$80 Team Placement Fee Due | Thursday, December 3 rd |
| • Team Reveal | Thursday, December 3 rd |
| • Weekly Training Begins | Monday, January 11 th or Wednesday, January 13 th |
| • \$100 Training Fee Due | Thursday, January 14 th |
| • Intensive Training Weekend | Friday, February 5 th – Sunday, February 7 th |
| • 40% of Funds Raised | Thursday, February 11 th |
| • 70% of Funds Raised | Thursday, March 17 th |
| • Commission Chapel | Friday, April 15 th |
| • 100% of Funds Raised | Friday, May 1 st |