Commuter Assistant Program
2018-2019 Application

What do Commuter Assistants do (in a nutshell!?)
The Commuter Assistant Program pairs incoming commuter students with “seasoned” Stony Brook University student leaders who provide support, advice, and camaraderie during the new students’ first year.

Commuter Assistants (CAs) are campus leaders who are dedicated to helping other students have a great college experience. They also play an integral part in the success of Commuter Student Services and Off-Campus Living (CSS & OCL) events and programs.

What are the eligibility requirements to apply?

- Must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7
- Must commit to the program for the full 2018-2019 academic year
- Must have completed at least one (1) full semester at Stony Brook University (you can still apply while in your second semester)
- Must be enthusiastic about helping other students and developing your own leadership abilities through training and hands-on experience

What are the general expectations if accepted to the program?

- Participate in Commuter Assistant Training Parts I & II (**May 17-19, 2018 & August 6-8, 2018**)
- Participate in the Commuter Assistant Meet and Greet Event (**August 6, 2018**)
- Assist during Opening of School in the Fall semester (**August 25-26, 2018**) & Opening of School in the Spring semester (**January 7, 2017**)
- Attend Commuter Assistant team meetings (**one Wednesday of every month during Campus Lifetime**)
- Hold one (1) team hour each week between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, selected based on your schedule
- Prompt response to all office communications (emails, Google Calendar invitations, etc.)
- Available to communicate (phone, email, and/or in person) with assigned new student partners over summer 2018 and winter 2019, prior to their first semester, as well as throughout the remainder of the academic year
- Assist with preparation, face-to-face outreach, and facilitation of CSS & OCL events and programs throughout the academic year
- Utilize and regularly check Stony Brook University email address and CSS calendar for new events
- Help plan programs to encourage commuter involvement on campus
- Participate in recommended campus-wide leadership development events

What are some of the benefits of being a Commuter Assistant?

- Helping other students in the Stony Brook University community as part of a great team
- Learning valuable skills and achieving both personal and professional development
- Learning the facets of event-planning as you create fun opportunities for your partners
- Improving your verbal and written communication skills
- Representing the commuter voice on campus-wide panels and committees
- Creating valuable networks with prestigious staff and faculty
- Leadership and community service experience to add to your résumé
- Special events and giveaways exclusively for CAs

**AND MORE !**