

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Residence Life Manager (live-in position, single occupancy)

Position reports to: Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations

Role of Department

The Residence Life Manager will support the delivery of student support services at BUSA London, including the delivery of a high standard of student resources, engagement activities, welfare provision, and housing for approximately one thousand BUSA London students per year. The Residence Life Manager will coordinate the daily provision of a high standard of welfare support and pastoral care in residence and student life activities.

Primary purpose of job

- To provide support on wide range of residence life and student life issues, working flexibly
 across BU London residences and the Academic Centre, ensuring that students receive the
 support they need.
- To help create a positive extra-curricular experience for all students on BUSA London programmes through effective student engagement and provision of high quality social and cultural programmes.
- To manage the Resident Life Supervisor team on daily basis, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- To undertake an active role in the wider Student Affairs team, responding to student enquiries appropriately and efficiently, and supporting effective student communication.
- To work closely with the maintenance and housekeeping team on a daily basis, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- To design and deliver a programme of social activities within housing to develop community and cohesion in residence life.
- To supervise and coordinate all out-of-hours student support and emergency response among the RLS team.
- To be a primary member of the on-call team, with responsibility for 1 in 2-3 weeks of on-call coverage.

Principal duties and responsibilities

- 1. To deal with out of hours issues and emergencies efficiently as part of Student Affairs on-call team in a professional manner.
- 2. To assist in the efficient day-to-day operation of residence life, with support for Student Affairs activities.

- 3. To manage the daily tasks and workload of the Residence Life Supervisor team.
- 4. To liaise on a daily basis with Housekeeping, Maintenance and Security staff on student incidents, well-being and behaviour, and on housing maintenance requests, and to manage security staff record-keeping throughout the year.
- 5. To ensure the emergency manual and logging of health and safety is up to date.
- 6. To coordinate the allocation of housing every semester and deal with any related issues, escalating issues to the Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations as necessary.
- 7. To lead the Arrivals and Departures processes from planning to delivery, escalating issues to the Assistant Director as necessary.
- 8. To receive and respond to students' enquiries and personal concerns appropriately and efficiently in line with BU policies, and escalating to the Assistant Director as necessary.
- 9. To work as part of the Student Affairs team delivering BUs extensive social and cultural programme: designing, developing and managing the residence life social programme and providing support for the wider social and cultural programme.
- 10. To coordinate the production and dissemination of relevant and updated information throughout the main building and student residences, including posters, printed and digital materials.
- 11. To support the social communication and communication with students.
- 12. To understand and support the requirements of the UKVI Tier 4 system.
- 13. To be aware of and remain compliant with a number of required procedures and laws including: incident reports, Title IX, Cleary Act, FERPA etc

Principal working relationships – whom the role interacts with on a regular basis:

Students

Assistant Director, Student Support & Operations

Residence Life Supervisors

Student Affairs Office staff

Housekeeping staff

Maintenance team

Security staff

Operations Consultant

Job qualifications & competencies - qualifications, skills and attributes required for role:

Essential:

- Significant experience in a building services/facilities management role in a residential capacity.
- Knowledge and experience of higher education and student services, including student housing.

- Experience of being on-call, responding under pressure and competent in managing emergency situations following agreed procedures.
- Calm, professional manner.
- Flexible, proactive and responsive.
- Excellent attention to detail and enjoys working under pressure.
- An ability to problem solve and identify serious issues and work in confidential situations.
- An ability to work with colleagues at all levels, building rapport and establishing productive working relationships.
- Line management experience with the ability to develop an effective team.

Desirable:

- Experience of working in a culturally diverse environment.
- Good understanding of the issues for students studying and living in London and passion for life in London and the UK.

This description is not intended to be a complete statement of job content, but rather to serve as a general guide to the essential functions of the position. Boston University retains the discretion to add to or change the duties of the position at any time.