



George Mason Important Compliant Polices 2013

For 1st Year Students and their Families only

A Domicile form which has been e-mailed to you must be completed prior to start of classes (August 26). Please note that those families who are in-state and DO NOT complete the form will be subject to out-of-state tuition. The form can be returned to Lynne Paraggio.

All incoming students must follow the guidelines for George Mason University student immunizations. Please review the site, <http://shs.gmu.edu/immunizations/>. October 1st is the deadline. Please e-mail your questions to immunize@gmu.edu.

As your students begin the Mason LIFE Program, we would like you to fill out the Supports Intensity Scale. This Scale has been e-mailed and needs to be filled out and returned to Dr. Graff (in person or via mail) by Orientation. This Scale is very simple, based on your first impression/instinct, so there's no need to labor over it. The answers are based on what your student can do NOW, in August of 2013, and what sorts of supports he/she needs NOW (living at home, before the Program starts). All first-year students complete this form, and the LIFE staff will complete a second one during the students' fourth year, to examine growth over time.

Scope of Services for Mason LIFE Students

Participants in the Mason LIFE Program are non-credit, certificate status and are not enrolled, degreed seeking students of George Mason University. The Mason LIFE Program is designed to address the unique needs of all the individuals attending; however, other parts of the University may not be specifically able or trained to meet those needs. Counseling and Psychological Services is not available for Mason LIFE students. Instead, the Mason LIFE program will provide in-house mental health services for situational issues. For acute mental health emergencies students, the university and the program will seek the assistance of 911 or an outside referral will be required.

Student Health Services is available for immunizations records and for immediate first aid care only. Mason LIFE students need to make other medical arrangements for continuous care issues. Sick health care will be provided by the Fairfax INOVA 24 Access on route 123, just off the GMU main campus. The cost of the care will be the responsibility of each student/family.

Areas of concern for Mason LIFE students will be examined through Person Centered Meeting and, when deemed necessary, will be referred to the appropriate off campus service for assistance. All emergencies will be handled by calling 911 and if an individual needs an ambulance, that person/family will bear the transportation cost. Beyond each Mason LIFE student's program of study, integration into the campus community via engagement of special topics classes, clubs, and organizations is encouraged.

Mason LIFE Program Policies

Student and Family Support - All students and families will follow and support the components of the Mason LIFE Program. Any concerns may be brought up in a person centered meeting by the student in order to advocate for individual academic needs and goals.

Student Pick-up – All non-residential students must arrange for a consistent pick-up time. The Mason LIFE Program will follow the notification process in order to ensure student safety and security.

Research – As part of the College of Education and Human Development, educational research projects are often conducted within the Mason LIFE Program. These opportunities offer another level of understanding in supporting specific areas of student development. Research is conducted at the undergraduate, Master’s, and PhD levels. Consent will be sought for PhD research when the scope of work is beyond the parameters of Mason LIFE Program curriculum framework.

All Mason LIFE students will be expected to abide by the student code of conduct as outlined, <http://studentconduct.gmu.edu/university-policies/code-of-student-conduct/>. Mason LIFE students will follow the policies of the judicial system and the recommendations of the Dean of Students. Any resulting disciplinary action will follow in accordance with GMU policies to include the permanent or temporary expulsion of a student.

I agree to follow all policies of George Mason University. In addition, I authorize all Departments of George Mason University including, but not limited to, Housing and Residential life, University Police Department, Dean of Students Office, Office of Judicial Affairs, and Student Health Services to exchange any and all information about me or my medical needs with the Mason LIFE Program. I understand this information is confidential and the purpose is to help refer me to appropriate services. This authorization is valid during the entire period of my participation in the Mason LIFE Program. In addition by my signature, I affirm I also understand the Mason LIFE Program student’s scope of service.

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Student Name Printed:

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature: