

Global Loper Program

Program Description

The Global Loper (mentor) program, under the direction of the International Student Services Office, is designed to become an integral part of welcoming first year international students to the University of Nebraska Kearney campus. The main objective of the program is to assist new students in adapting to a new environment and a different academic system. The program is intended to bring current and new International students closer together in order to increase cross-cultural experiences with each group.

Once selected, Global Lopers will go through training where they will learn about diversity, ethics, and active listening. After training, Global Lopers will be the direct contact person for a small group of new international students. Global Lopers will be assigned their students prior to New International Student Orientation. They will then have a schedule of meetings and activities throughout the semester that focuses on cultural adjustment, immigration information, and campus activities.

Global Lopers will become intercultural leaders who support new international students with their knowledge and expertise. They will be essential to the process of welcoming new students and helping them acculturate to their new environment.

GLOBAL LOPER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Part I: To be completed by the Applicant

Applicant's Name: _____

Year of Study: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Anticipated graduation date (Month/Year) _____

Major: _____

Part II: To be completed by the Reference

The person named above has applied to be a Global Loper at UNK. A description of the program has been included to assist you in writing this recommendation. The recommendation form is an important part of the application process and we appreciate your response to the applicant's request.

Your Name _____

Title/Position _____ Email _____

Organization/Department _____

Length of time you have known the applicant _____

Relationship to the applicant _____

Please fill out the chart below, indicating the applicant's skill level in each of the following dimensions.

SKILL	EXCELLENT	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	POOR	NO BASIS FOR JUDGMENT
LEADERSHIP ABILITY						
TEAM WORK						
RELIABILITY						
ATTITUDE						
PROBLEM SOLVING						
ADAPTABILITY						
CREATIVITY						
CULTURAL SENSITIVITY						
COMMUNICATION SKILLS						

Please add any additional information you believe is relevant to the applicant's ability to be a Global Loper (mentor):

Signature _____ Date _____

Please submit completed form to:
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