2020-2021 TrailBlazer Application

Applications must be submitted by
Friday, January 17 at 5:00 PM

The following are all the requirements an applicant must complete to be considered.

☐ **Attend an Interest Session.** Interest sessions will be held in the Campus Visit Center HILL 201. Dates are listed below. You must attend one interest session before submitting your application.

  - Friday, November 15, 3:00-3:30 PM
  - Tuesday, November 19, 8:30-9:00 AM
  - Thursday, November 21, 11:00-11:30 AM
  - Wednesday, December 4, 1:00-1:30 PM
  - Thursday, December 5, 5:00-5:30 PM
  - Monday, January 13 4:00 – 4:30 PM

☐ **Complete the entire application packet,** including answers to questions, and submit to HILL 201 on the second floor of the Hill Student Center at 1400 University Blvd no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 17, 2020

☐ **Attach resume** to completed application.

☐ **Provide two letters of recommendation.** Letters from family or friends will not be accepted. Recommendation letters can be included with your application packet in a sealed and signed envelope or emailed directly from your recommenders to TrailBlazers@uab.edu

☐ **Participate in a Group Interview.** (If selected) Interviews will be held January 27-29 in the Hill Student Center Meeting Room 204/206. Those selected for group interviews will be notified by Tuesday, January 21.

☐ **Participate in an Individual Interview.** (If selected) Interviews will be held January 30-31 in the Campus Visit Center, HILL 201. Those selected for individual interviews will be notified by the afternoon of Wednesday, January 29.
What are the minimum qualifications needed to apply to be a TrailBlazer?
To apply and be considered for TrailBlazers, you must:

- Have a 2.75 UAB cumulative GPA (without rounding) at the time of application and throughout the duration of your TrailBlazer experience.
- Be enrolled in classes full-time for the Spring 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021 semesters (enrollment in summer semester is not required.)
- Be available to give tours in Summer 2020 (exceptions for study away trips or class can be discussed)
- Serve as a TrailBlazer for at least a one year commitment. Applicants scheduled to graduate before Spring 2021 will not be considered.

What are the requirements to be on the TrailBlazer team?
If you are selected to serve as a TrailBlazer, you must commit to the following:

- Attend and observe UAB Day (Saturday, February 29) including the pre-event meeting (date/time: TBD)
- Attend and observe Blazer Beginnings (Saturday, April 4) including the pre-event meeting (date/time: TBD)
- Attend the TrailBlazer End of Year Celebration and Induction Ceremony on Friday, April 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM.
- Attend the TrailBlazer Retreat Monday, May 4 through Wednesday, May 6.
- Shadow at least 5 tours during the Spring 2020 semester led by current TrailBlazers.
- Attend training sessions beginning in Spring 2020 after selection (Fridays at 3:00 PM).
- Commit to a minimum of 1 daily campus tour per week beginning in the Summer 2020 semester. Daily campus tours are given at 9:30 AM and 2:00 PM each weekday with an additional 12:00 pm tour time on Mondays and Fridays. Tours last approximately 2 hours.
- Assist with group tours as needed beginning in the Summer 2020 semester (minimum of 4 per semester).
- Attend planning meetings prior to each event and other TrailBlazer meetings as scheduled.
- Assist in all UAB events sponsored by Enrollment Management
  - For example, UAB Days, Transfer Days, UAB Nights, college fairs, specialized visit days, various recruitment events and other events and tours as they arise.
  - Many events are on Friday afternoon and Saturday mornings/afternoons.
  - All TrailBlazers must attend.
- Attend one additional on-campus event and one additional off-campus event during the academic year.
- Assist in all Campus Visit Center needs including, but not limited to, VIP student visits, phone calls, making information packets, organizing materials, assisting with event preparations, working at the reception desk, and more.
What is the payment?
- TrailBlazers receive an Enrollment Management Leadership Team Scholarship for participation in the program after each successful semester as a TrailBlazer.

Questions?
If you have any further questions about the selection process or about the program, please contact TrailBlazers@uab.edu or 205-934-9098.
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Please Type or Print Legibly

Applicant Information

Name: ________________________________  Blazer ID: ________________________________

Student # (ex. B00123456): ________________________________

High School: ________________________________  Hometown/State: ________________________________

Local Address:

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Have you ever lived on campus? Yes / No (circle one)  Phone: ________________________________

Year in school (e.g., senior): __________________ UAB GPA (do not round up): __________________
(high school GPA if freshman)

Total number of completed college hours to date: ________________________________

Major(s): ________________________________  Minor(s): ________________________________

Pre-Professional Interest(s): __________________ Honors College Program(s): __________________

Have you participated in the Student Housing or University Student Conduct process? Yes / No (circle one)
If yes, explain the situation on a separate, typed sheet of paper and submit with your application.

What other student groups are you applying or have been selected for? (Please include Ambassadors, Honors College Ambassadors, Orientation Leader, and Resident Assistant specifically).

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If selected, will you be able to attend weekly trainings beginning Friday, February 7? Yes / No If no, explain below.
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If selected, will you be able to attend the TrailBlazer Retreat on May 4 – May 6? Yes / No If no, explain below.
____________________________________________________________________________
Short Answer Questions:
Please respond to all questions on a separate, typed sheet of paper. (250 word limit per question)

1. Why are you interested in becoming a TrailBlazer?
2. Why did you originally decide to attend UAB? How do you feel about UAB now?
3. What is something other than parking that UAB can improve on?
4. In your opinion, what is the most important spot on campus to show prospective students and their families? What would you share about this location?
5. Review the mandatory job requirements on page 2. What challenges do you think you’ll face to balance school/work/other activities to ensure your commitment as a UAB TrailBlazer?

Candidates must submit the completed application, resume and two letters of recommendation to HILL 201 no later than 5:00 pm on January 17, 2020.

Thank you for your interest in the 2020-2021 TrailBlazer Team!

I hereby declare my application information to be truthful. I give permission to the Campus Visit Center to verify my academic and judicial record(s). I have read and understand the requirements of a TrailBlazer and am committed to meeting those requirements if I am selected.

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Print Name                 Signature           Date