Returning Leader
Application
2012
Life Group Leader Application

As you read through this application (seriously, read through it), please make time to pray about how God might want you to be used in Life Groups.

The ministry of Life Groups exist to provide an immediate place of belonging for new students, helping them find their place in the Union community.

The Life Group Leaders facilitate this transition by investing in new students and showing them how to navigate the college experience … all to the glory of God.

Life Groups and Life Group Leaders are committed to a gospel obsessed approach to the Christian life and ministry - devoted to serving the next generation of students as they seek to live a life of Christian discipleship within the context of the campus, the local community, the church, and the world.

As a Life Group Leader you are committing to the following:

• Faithfully pursuing an authentic and growing relationship with Jesus Christ.
• Striving to live a life devoted to Christ and worthy of imitation (which will include commitment to a local church)
• Making personal sacrifices in order to meet physical, emotional, or spiritual needs of your Life Group
• Weekly partner meetings to pray, plan, and prepare to lead your Life Group.
• Weekly gathering with your Life Group in the fall of 2010.
• Personal, prayerful, and intentional involvement with each Life Grouper.
• Not dating within your Life Group during the fall semester.
• Writing a Life Group Leader covenant with your fellow leaders - a covenant detailing your commitment to the Life Group community.
• Accountability to fellow Life Group Leaders and the Campus Ministries staff.
• Attending the spring leadership training weekend, March 30 - April 1, 2012.

I have read the preceding information, understand the requirements related to the Life Group Ministry, and, if I am asked to become a Life Group Leader, I am willing to make these commitments.

Signed_____________________________________________________________

Please Note:
TWO COPIES of this application are due by 3:00 PM on Monday, February 20 in the Campus Ministries Office.
Life Group Application

Name: ______________________________________________________
Classification: _______ Box # _______ Phone# (cell )_______________
Email:______________________________________________

GPA: ___

Dorm Room #_________________ Local Church: __________________

*Please type your answers to the following questions and submit with this application.
(There is not a set number of pages, simply answer the questions as best you can!)

1. Life Groups is a gospel ministry … a ministry of communicating the gospel in word and deed to new students coming into Union. So, what is the gospel? Did you confidently present the gospel in your time as a Life Group Leader?

2. Why do you desire to be a Life Group Leader again?

3. Looking back on the last year of your life, how have you seen yourself grow in your love for - and devotion to - Christ? What do you do to develop your relationship with Christ? What has God been teaching you lately? In what areas do you see a need for spiritual growth?

4. Leadership is a crucial part of the Life Group ministry. Who are the people in your life who you admire for their spiritual leadership? Why do you admire them?

5. What were the biggest challenges you faced in you time as a Life Group Leader? In what ways do you need to improve in your leadership of a Life Group?

6. Healthy Life Group Leader partnerships can make or break a Life Group. How would you describe your partnership from this past year? What, if anything, would you want to do differently this year? How would you describe a healthy guy-girl ministry partnership?

7. Are you currently involved in a local church? Are you currently involved in a personal discipleship relationship? What are your other time commitments this spring and fall?

8. Please provide 2 references:
   - one from your former Life Group Partner
   - one from a former Life Group Member.
This reference should be a brief statement of your ability to serve as a Life Group Leader. Please have your references emailed to Lee Wilson (lwilson@uu.edu)