

## Returning Leader

Application 2014

## 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.

**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 2014.
- 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, Support Team, and Directors.
- Maintaining a Union University required 2.5 GPA while a Life Group Leader.
- Attending the spring leadership training weekend, April 11-13, 2014.
- Attending the fall Life Group Leader Orientation, August 11-13, 2014, LGL Work Day, August 14 and New Student Orientation (Focus), August 15-17.

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:

ONE PRINTED COPY of this application is due by 3:00 PM on Friday, February 14 in the Office of University Ministry.

## **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. Did you confidently present the gospel in your time as a Life Group Leader? Were these one on one conversations more or less of a challenge than you were expecting?
- 2. Why do you desire to be a Life Group Leader again? How did your time serving as a Life Group Leader impact your overall spiritual health?
- 3. 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? What would you do differently? (Feel free to answer personally and/or structurally)
- 4. 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?
- 5. 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?
- 6. 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 (<u>lwilson@uu.edu</u>)**