March 20, 2012

Dear Applicant:

The FAU Elite OWL is a premiere ambassador leadership program designed to recognize exemplary student leaders at Florida Atlantic University. Only ten student leaders will be selected for this program based on their academics, leadership, and community service. Selection will ensure a well-rounded representation of the student body. Completed applications with recommendations must be submitted by Monday, April 16 at 5 p.m. to the Boca Raton Campus Office of Student Involvement & Leadership (located on the 2nd Floor Student Union, room 220). Qualified applicants must be available to participate in the FAU Elite OWL Interviews April 23 through April 25. They will be contacted shortly after the application deadline to schedule the first interview.

Expectations for Elite Owls
- Serve as a small group facilitator at the Camp Owls Leadership Experience, which is an overnight leadership retreat for first year students (this 2-day retreat happens the week before classes begin, August 12-14, 2012)
- Participate on the Student Leadership Conference Logistics and Marketing Committee and attend the conference as a breakout session leader and event coordinator on September 22, 2012
- Serve as a co-facilitator for three Student Leadership Institutes during the academic year
- Participate in one Read 2 Lead Leadership Reading Circle as a Circle leader during the academic year
- Attend Elite Owls meetings twice a month
- Serve 3 office hours a week in the President’s Suite located in the Administration Building on the Boca Raton campus
- Attend Board of Trustees meetings as assigned throughout the semester
- Participate in special projects as assigned by the University President and/or Elite Owls advisor
- Commit about 20 hours a month for planning, meeting and facilitation
- Maintain a minimum of a 2.85 GPA and be in good judicial standing with Florida Atlantic University

So what do you get out being an Elite Owls?
- $750 to be paid bi-weekly
- Your picture on the Elite Owl website
- The opportunity to mentor students
- The opportunity to showcase what you have learned during your time at FAU
- The opportunity to further develop your own leadership skills (you can always learn more!)
- The opportunity to mold this program into something GREAT for FAU
- The ability to network with fellow student leaders, FAU faculty and staff, and the community
- And LOTS more!!!

Go OWLS,

Alicia M. Keating
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Director, Student Involvement and Leadership
Applicants must:

1. Be a full-time undergraduate student with at least 30 credit hours and have had served in at least one elected or appointed student leadership position at FAU.

2. Have an overall grade point average of 2.85 or above.

3. Be in good standing with Florida Atlantic University.

4. Be available for the following events:
   - Elite Owls Training, TBA
   - Camp Owls, Aug. 12-14
   - Student Leadership Conference, Sep. 22
   - Bi-monthly meetings
   - Leadership Programs sponsored by SIL

Applications must include:

1. A signed application form.

2. A one-page, typed, personal essay that highlights your leadership experiences at Florida Atlantic University. The essay should be typed using 12 pt. Times New Roman Font. Attention should be given to factors that will assist the Selection Committee in gaining an understanding of the extent of your leadership experiences and the quality and nature of such experiences.

3. A one-page, typed, essay that describes your Personal Best Leadership Experience. This is not limited to your experiences at Florida Atlantic University. The essay should be typed using 12 pt. Times New Roman Font. A Personal Best Leadership Experience is a finite time in which you believe you have done your very best in order to accomplish a particular goal, although that does not necessarily mean you were successful or received recognition.

4. Two letters of recommendation.

5. An Activity Resume documenting your leadership experiences in the following areas:
   - University-wide leadership
   - Student Organizations
   - College/Departments
   - Service Organizations
   - Leadership, Service or Scholastics
   - Honors/Awards
   - Student Media/Publications

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered for positions!

If you have questions about the Elite Owls position, expectations or requirements, please contact Katie Burke at kburke19@fau.edu, 561.297.3735, or in the Student Union, room 220.
Selection Process Timeline

Applications Available: Monday, March 19, 2012
Applications Due: Monday, April 16, 2012 by 5 p.m.

Interview Process:
All applicants are required to complete an individual interview. Interviews will be held between April 23-25 and you will schedule your interviews once your initial application has been approved by the selection committee. All interviews will take place in the Student Involvement and Leadership Conference Room (located on the second floor of the Student Union, 220). You will participate in an interview with the selection committee members, which will consist of current Elite Owls and their advisor. Expect interviews to be approximately 15-25 minutes in length. Professional attire is expected at the interview session. A second interview will be granted if the selection committee deems the candidate a good fit for the Elite Owls position.

Decisions will be made no later than Monday, April 30, 2012 at 5 p.m. Applicants will be notified by e-mail of the selection committee's decision. E-mails will be sent to applicants specified e-mail addresses.

Please read carefully - Retain this page for your records
If you have questions throughout the selection process, contact: Katie Burke at kburke19@fau.edu or (561) 297-3798
2012-2013 ELITE OWLS APPLICATION  
Student Leadership Ambassadors

Name: _____________________________________________________________
     (Last)  (First)  (Middle)
Z #: ____________________________  Gender: ☐ Male  ☐ Female
Local Address: ______________________________________________________
E-mail Address: ___________________________________  Local Phone: _____________________________
Current Class Level: ☐ Freshman  ☐ Sophomore  ☐ Junior  ☐ Senior  Graduation Date: _______________________
Primary Campus: ____________________________  Major: ____________________________
Semester GPA: ____________________________  Cum. GPA: ____________________________

Are you currently (or were you previously) employed at FAU?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, list current (or most current) FAU job:
Department Name: ____________________________  Job Title: ____________________________
Appointment Dates: (start) ____________________________  (end) ____________________________

Anticipated Commitments During the 2012-2013 Academic Year:
List any activities (such as student organizations, outside employment, etc.) that you plan to engage in during the 2012-2013 academic year and the approximate time commitment (in hours) of each per week.

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Are the following items included in your application?

☐ Personal Essay & Personal Best Leadership Experience Essay
☐ Activity Resume
☐ 2 Letters of Recommendation

Authorization to Release Information: I also authorize the University to verify that all the information provided on and with this application is accurate. Furthermore, if I am selected as an FAU Elite Owl, I authorize Florida Atlantic University to release any of the above information to the public in an manner it shall choose.

Signed: ____________________________  Date: ____________________________

Deadline:  Friday, April 16, 2012 at 5 pm
Return To:  Katie Burke, Student Involvement & Leadership, Student Union, Room 220 (2nd Floor)