**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMS**

**International and Missionary Student Peer Advisors**

**PEER ADVISOR APPLICATION FORM**

**Introduction**

The purpose of the **International and Missionary Student Peer Advisor** (IMPA) program is to provide ongoing mentoring to incoming first-year international, missionary and third-culture students, contributing to their success during orientation week and beyond. IMPAs are comprised of returning students who have a passion for welcoming and supporting new international, MK and TCK students. If this describes you, then please consider applying to be one of our peer advisors by completing the application below. Please contact Luiza Cliver, (lcliver@messiah.edu) Assistant Director of International Student Programs, if you have any questions.

Please note: If you are excepted to be an IMPA, you will be required to attend training on Sunday, August 25th and be available for all International, MK and TCK orientation events between Monday, August 26th and Thursday, August 29th.

**Application Details**

1. Application and corresponding documents due by **Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 5 p.m.**
2. To be considered for a position on the IMPA team, you must submit:
	* a completed IMPA Application Form (this form);
	* a screen print of your cumulative GPA (Degreeworks);
	* a recommendation form to be completed by Resident Assistant/Director or faculty member (form is attached and should be given directly to the person completing the recommendation)
3. Print and deliver all application materials to the Intercultural Office (Larsen 204).
4. Applicants will be contacted mid-March 2019, at which time interviews will be scheduled if needed.

**First Name**: Click here to enter text. **Last Name**: Click here to enter text.

**Preferred Name:** Click here to enter text. **Student ID#:** Click here to enter text.

**Date of Birth:** / / **Gender:** [ ] M [ ] F **Class Year:** [ ]  FYS [ ] SOPH [ ] JUNIOR

**Phone**: Click here to enter text. **E-mail address:** Click here to enter text.

**Major**: Click here to enter text. **Minor**: Click here to enter text. **Cumulative GPA**: Click here to enter text.

**Country of Citizenship:** Click here to enter text.

**Please list any languages (other than English) in which you are fluent:** Click here to enter text.

**Are you able to arrive on campus for a mandatory training on Aug. 25, 2019?** [ ] Y [ ] N

A**re you able to participate throughout the entire orientation (Aug. 26–29, 2019)** [ ] Y [ ] N

**Are you able to commit to being an IMPA throughout the upcoming fall semester?** [ ] Y [ ] N

**(Please check one) I prefer to mentor students who:**

[ ] Come from the same country as me

[ ] Come from a similar cultural background to me

[ ] Come from a different cultural background than me

[ ] No preference

**Please explain the extent of your international experience or your interest in international cultures:**

Click here to enter text.

**Short-Answer Questions**

1. **Why do you want to be a peer advisor to incoming international, MK and TCK students? What are your hopes/concerns for this role?**

Click here to enter text.

2. **Looking back on your experience, what were some of your major challenges or concerns you faced during your first semester at Messiah College? How did you overcome such challenges and what resources did you use?** *Include any suggestions of resources you wish were available to you during your first semester at Messiah College.*

*Click here to enter text.*

3. **State a few ways in which you think you could personally contribute to helping incoming international students adjust to life at Messiah College.**

Click here to enter text.

**Applicant Signature:** Click here to enter text. **Date** Click here to enter a date.