

INTERCULTURAL LIVING EXCHANGE: 2006-2007 MENTOR APPLICATION

The **Intercultural Living Exchange (ILE)** is a living learning community for students who want to immerse themselves in the daily use of a foreign language while acquiring skills that promote communication across diverse cultures. Resident and non-resident mentors organize linguistic, cultural and social activities using the target languages that undergraduate participants in the **ILE** are learning. Mentors help create a communal atmosphere in which students work together in their language clusters to develop linguistic skills while also reaching out to the surrounding community and participating in programs that promote awareness of intercultural issues on the UMBC campus. Mentors work in collaboration with the faculty liaisons of each language cluster, the graduate assistant **ILE** Coordinator, and the Director of the **ILE**. If you are interested in serving as a resident or non-resident mentor in the **Intercultural Living Exchange**, please provide us with the following information. Preference will be given to mature undergraduate or graduate students at UMBC who have linguistic fluency and cultural competence in Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian or Spanish. Resident mentors are compensated by a single room in New Hall, a meal plan or meal plan waiver (graduate efficiencies only), and a stipend; non-resident mentors receive a stipend. **Before completing your application and statement, see the ILE website www.umbc.edu/ml/ile and the links "Mentors' Profiles", "Resources for Participants" and "Resources for Mentors" in order to get an understanding of the mentors' responsibilities.**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Language Cluster Choice: _____ Sex: _____

Student ID#: _____ Phone: _____

Email address used most frequently (please write legibly): _____

Undergraduate major: _____ Undergraduate Minor: _____

or

Graduate Degree Sought: _____

Current Address: _____

Undergraduate Class Standing: FR SO JR SR (circle one)

Preference: _____ resident _____ non-resident mentor position

Have you ever been on Residential Life Probation or University Disciplinary Probation? Y N
If yes, please attach an additional statement providing a brief explanation.

List of classes (if any) taken in the Department of Modern Languages & Linguistics at UMBC (include current semester):

_____, _____,
_____, _____

Name(s) of UMBC faculty member to contact as reference:

_____ (name) _____ (email)

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Please attach the following documents to your application: (Type or print neatly in ink.)

1. An unofficial copy of your current UMBC transcript.
2. A statement telling what personal qualities, experiences and intercultural skills you would bring to the **Intercultural Living Exchange** that would make you an effective mentor. What do you hope to gain from this experience and what do you expect to contribute?

Return completed applications as soon as possible to Dr. Judith Schneider, c/o MLL Office, Academic IV, Room 146. FAX: 410-455-2109. Telephone: 410-455-2109.