



Job Opportunities with the Study Skills & SI Centre

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This short presentation will outline a number of job opportunities for students with the Study Skills and Supplemental Instruction Centre (or SSC for short).

Study Skills & SI Centre

- The Study Skills & SI Centre (SSC) enhances student academic life through the promotion of proper learning strategies and study skills that are required by all undergraduate and graduate students to succeed academically.
- The SSC delivers its programming through:
 - Campus wide activities.
 - Department specific activities.
 - Course integration.

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The SSC's mandate is to enhance student academic life through the promotion of efficient and effective learning strategies and study skills.

The SSC's programs are delivered either campus wide, through specific department, or while integrated in specific courses.

SSC Program Traits

- Within all SSC programs, student participants are encouraged to work collaboratively, learn actively, and apply learning strategies to their work.
- Student employees are expected to facilitate the learning process; not focus on instruction intended for a specific outcome.

Tell me and I forget;
Show me and I remember;
Involve me and I understand.

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Student employees of the SSC are expected to be facilitators focused on the learning process instead of instructors focused on the final outcome. For example, an economics SI Learning Assistant would focus on demonstrating to students how to properly learn economics instead of instructing students on specific course concepts while focusing on the students' final grades.

SSC Student Employees

- Are senior Laurier enrolled undergraduate students.
- Have an overall GPA of 9 or greater.
 - SI Learning Assistants must have also attained a course grade of A- or greater in the course they wish to support.
- Are trained and mentored by the SSC.
- Work between 8 and 12 hours per week.
- Begin their employment at \$10/hour.
- Are model students to the Laurier community.

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All SSC student employees must be:

- senior undergraduate students.
- have an overall GPA of 9 or greater.
- are trained and mentored by the SSC,
- work between 8 and 12 hours per week.
- begin employment at \$10 per hour.
- and are model Laurier students.

Students applying to become a SI Learning Assistant for a specific course should also have attained a minimum grade of A- in said course.

Learning Tutors

- Deliver in-class, in-residence, and on-campus learning strategies workshops to students.
- Provide office hours for individual consultations.

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Learning Tutors are SSC student employees who support all Laurier students through workshop facilitations and individual consultations.

Athlete Academic Mentors

- Are varsity athletes.
- Facilitate regular homework/study session throughout the week.
 - Incorporate learning strategies micro-workshops.
 - Apply learning strategies to homework/studying.
- Provide flexible office hours for individual consultations.

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Athlete Academic Mentors are varsity athletes who facilitate regular homework/study sessions that incorporate both learning strategies instruction and application of these strategies into homework and studying. These academic mentors also provide individual consultations.

EAL Academic Mentors

(EAL = English as Another Language)

- Are either international, honours English, or honours Languages and Literature students.
- Facilitate weekly EAL sessions.
 - Incorporate learning strategies instruction.
 - Provides English aural, oral, reading, and writing instruction.
 - Includes Canadian cultural awareness.
 - Applies learnt strategies to academic life.
- Provide flexible office hours for individual consultations.

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English as Another Language Academic are either international, honours English, or honours Languages and Literature students who facilitate regular EAL sessions that incorporate and apply learning strategies and English language instruction into academic life. These academic mentors also provide individual consultations.

SI Learning Assistants

- Attend weekly lectures.
- Meet with professors as required.
- Facilitate weekly learning group sessions.
 - Incorporate learning strategies into course content.
 - Assist in problem solving/discussion development.
 - Review course concepts.
 - Focus on understand, not memorization.
- May provide flexible office hours for individual consultations.

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SI Learning Assistants are integrated into specific courses and therefore must attend all lectures and meet with their professor as required. SI Learning Assistants facilitate weekly learning group sessions where they focus on demonstrating how to learn course content instead of focusing on the course content itself. SI Learning Assistants may be asked to conduct some individual consultations.

Employment Advantages

- Personal academic and professional development.
- Assisting peers with academic development.
- Use of office space.
- Reference letters.
- Pay raises based on length of employment.

These positions are excellent for individuals considering a career in education, social work, or continuing to professional or graduate studies.

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Student employees of the SSC often experience further personal academic and professional development; enjoy assisting their peers to succeed academically; enjoy the use of the office space; and, often request reference letters to apply to either co-op placements, or, professional or graduate schools.

Application Process

- Read through the detailed job description.
- Complete the study skills assessment.
- Complete and submit an application form.
- Eligible candidates will be contacted for a personal 45 minute interview.

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To apply to work with the SSC we suggest that you:

- review the detailed job description;
- complete the study skills assessment; and,
- complete and submit an application form.

Eligible candidates will be contacted to schedule a personal 45 minute interview.

All information, resources, and contact information are available at the SSC web site at www.wlu.ca/study.

Good luck, and we look forward to reviewing your application.