

University of Maryland, College Park

Persian Flagship Program

The Persian Flagship Program is looking for a native or near-native Persian speaker (Dari and Tajiki speakers welcome to apply) for a Language Partner position. The goal of the Persian Flagship Program is to graduate students who can speak, comprehend, read, and write Persian at a superior or professional level of fluency. Each Persian Flagship student is required to meet one-on-one with a Language Partner for two hours a week to practice Persian.

The Language Partner position is an hourly position which pays \$15 an hour. Language Partners usually work between 3 and 12 hours a week, but never more than 20 hours a week.

Responsibilities:

- Prepare for conversation sessions in advance in order to actively engage student partners in conversations on interesting topics relevant to student's program of study of Persian culture;
- Be responsive to the needs of the student;
- Participate in paid staff meetings once per semester.

All conversation sessions must be:

- Scheduled during the work week (no weekends);
- Held on campus in locations that reflect the professional nature of the conversation session;
- Scheduled in advance;
- Recorded in an online timesheet provided by the Persian Flagship Program.

Sessions must also begin and end on time.

Conversation sessions will be randomly observed by the faculty, and Language Partners will be evaluated by their students each semester.

Employment is not guaranteed from semester to semester.

If you have any questions regarding the Language Partner position, please contact persian@umd.edu.

To apply for a Language Partner position, please complete the attached application and submit it along with the requested materials. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. Candidates will be contacted for an interview as positions open.

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Language Partner Application

Instructions:

Print/type all responses. Attach your resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV) to this form. You may write on the back of this application or attach an extra sheet for your personal statement. Submit applications to the Persian Flagship Program in 3116 H. J. Patterson Hall, University of Maryland, College Park, or electronically to persian@umd.edu.

General Information

Date: _____ Name: _____

UID: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone #: _____ Alternative Phone #: _____

Home Address: _____

Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____

How many years have you lived in the US? _____ Are you fluent in English? _____

Education

Highest Level of Education: _____ Currently a student? _____

Institution: _____ Year Graduated: _____

Major(s): _____ Minors(s): _____

Previous Institutions: _____

Schedule Availability for Current Semester:

Monday: _____

Tuesday: _____

Wednesday: _____

Thursday: _____

Friday: _____

Personal Statement

Please respond to the following prompt in both English and Persian. For additional writing space, attach a sheet of paper, or use the back of this form.

Tell us about yourself. Where were you born, where did you grow up? What are your interests and hobbies? What interests you about this position? What experiences and/or skills do you have that would benefit you as a Language Partner?

Additional Information

Do you have any preferences for whom we pair you with? (e.g. gender, age, etc.)

List any other major commitments (if any) that would limit your involvement and availability:

How did you find out about this opportunity?

I have read the job description and understand the responsibilities for which I am applying. If selected, I am willing to accept those responsibilities for the entire work period. I understand that employment is not guaranteed from semester to semester.

Signature: _____

Date: _____