



UM Buddy Program

UM Buddy Program Overview

The UM Buddy Program is a volunteer-based program which provides an opportunity to build 1-on-1 relationship between UM Chinese students and foreign exchange students, it is designed to establish more personal contact, to initiate cultural exchange and friendship development.

Foreign exchange students have little knowledge about Macao and China, they would like to make real friends who can help them integrate into the culture and adapt the change of new environment. In return, it would give you valuable experiences and various chances of learning their culture as well.

Hence, Student Affair Section (SAS) would like to launch a Buddy Program and through which to recruit UM Chinese students as Buddies for our foreign exchange students. Whenever possible, level and program of studies are considered when paring up is taking place. We will then match you with a foreign exchange student according to your preference. We will also organize a number of social and cultural activities throughout the academic year.

Apart from finding it as a most rewarding and satisfying experience, SAS will issue a "Certificate of Participation" at the end of the academic year to those students who have good positive evaluation and fulfilled the requirement, which can be utilized as a credential in your CV.

Eligibility of UM Buddy

- 2nd - 4th year UM students who are interested in helping foreign exchange students.
- Student who is devoted to make our foreign exchange student's stay in Macao memorable
- Student who is responsible, caring and enthusiastic
- Student who treasures people, be trusted and wholeheartedly
- The duration of being the Buddy may last from 1 semester to 1 year, or a UM lifelong Buddy, depending on your will



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Why to be a UM Buddy ?

- To gain valuable international experience and contacts, expand personal network of friends
- To find life-long friendship, to develop long term international link both personally and professionally
- To get leadership experience and self-development
- To meet culturally diverse students while enjoying many great activities
- To learn and develop communication skills in English
- To build self-esteem and self-confidence
- To feel needed and valued
- To better prepare for exchange or study abroad in the future by integrating different cultures

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