



CONFERENCE DESK STUDENT ASSISTANT

DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: May 18 – August 11, 2026

SUPERVISORS: Joellen Peterson, Conference Services Coordinator & Christie Moody, Resident Services Coordinator

RESPONSIBILITIES:

General responsibilities include:

- Provide excellent customer service to conference guests, housing residents and the campus community.
- Work at the Conference desk 30 + hours a week.
- Conference operations are open throughout the summer (including holidays); staff members will be expected to work weekends and holidays.
- Attend training sessions and staff meetings. (One staff meeting is permitted to miss, after that verbal and written warnings will be issued.)
- Must respond to emergency situations with a sense of urgency and physical effort.
- Must maintain confidentiality of sensitive information.
- Input packages, distribute mail and complete roster check in the mailroom.
- Assume other responsibilities as assigned.
- Aid conference guests and housing residents with lockouts and/or other concerns when the desk is open.
- Maintain communication with the desk coworkers, the leads and supervisors.

Specific responsibilities at the Conference desk include:

- Serve as a first impression for the Housing department: greet the public, answer phone calls, take messages, answer questions and emails, and refer students and visitors to appropriate staff members or other campus departments. This extends to answering all inquiries related to the department, not just Conferences.
- Maintain operation of the Conference desk in a professional manner.
- Check guests in and out of residence halls, issue check-out items, extra linens and maintain records.
- Responsible for specific knowledge of each conference group regarding where they are staying and what specific services each group will receive.
- Function as an information source, answer questions, refer guest complaints and comments to appropriate staff members.
- Receive and deliver phone messages and mail to conference guests and conference staff members.
- Maintain incident and maintenance repair logs and coordinate responses with appropriate staff members.
- Check out equipment and supplies such as blankets, towels, sheets, etc. as needed.
- While employed, conduct and dress must reflect university standards (name tag is provided).
- Operate various computer programs, including: StarRez, Onity and Notify, etc. (training provided).

QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Must be available to work through the full session, May 18 – August 11, 2026.**
- Continuing students must be enrolled at Cal Poly Humboldt for a minimum of six units for the fall semester or be enrolled in summer session. Graduating seniors may work up until mid-August, if not enrolled for Fall 2026.
- Strong administrative skills as well as attention to detail are critical.
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- Must possess strong interpersonal communication skills and the ability to project a positive image and attitude about the conference operations, the Department of Housing & Residence Life and the University.
- For reasons of safety and security, must successfully pass a background check prior to the start of employment.
- Drivers License/ Defensive Drivers Certificate is preferred.

COMPENSATION:

\$16.90/hour for hours worked at the Conference Desk or hours worked completing other projects/tasks as assigned.