# The Office of Campus Life Skylander Ambassador Program Application for Fall 2021



Get involved on campus! Meet new friends! Make amazing memories! Add essential skills to your resume! Applications are due by Friday, April 9, 2021

March, 2021

Dear Prospective Skylander Student Ambassador,

Thank you for your interest in Sussex County Community College's Student Ambassador Program for the Fall 2021 semester. While this is a very competitive application process the friends, memories, and leadership skills you will gain make this process well worth it! Campus Life and SCCC thank you in advance for your commitment.

Skylander Student Ambassadors assist with various activities, recruitment and public relations events, and they serve as student mentors to new students. Skylander Student Ambassadors have the opportunity to work with Staff and Faculty in all departments throughout the college, and gain valuable skills along the way.

In addition to assisting as an SCCC representative in the community, you will also have the opportunity to spend the semester working with Campus Life and the Student Government Association in planning and executing campus events and activities. Highlights for the Fall 2021 semester include the **New Student Orientation**, Welcome Back Weeks, Homecoming, & Monte Carlo Night!

As a Skylander Student Ambassador, you will have an opportunity to develop valuable leadership skills, which will serve you when you graduate from SCCC and transfer to a four-year school or enter the workforce. Campus Life has high expectations for Skylander Student Ambassadors and that means whether you are running the popcorn machine at an Open Mic or presenting to our Board of Trustees, we expect you to conduct yourself professionally, while still having a great time. Campus Life is committed to helping you develop the leadership skills needed to become a top student leader at SCCC and beyond!

Being a SCCC Skylander Student Ambassador is a job, just like any other job, but it is also FUN! Ambassadors are required to complete a minimum of 40, 60, or 80 hours by the end of the Fall 2021 semester. As you are considering becoming an Ambassador, think about your schedule and other obligations and take the time to consider which option works best for you. Campus Life accepts ALL schedules, so if you are interested there is an option that is the perfect fit for you.

Each Ambassador will receive a work grant applied to their SCCC account during the semester of service. A 40-hour Ambassador earns an \$840.00 work grant, a 60-hour Ambassador earns a \$1,260.00 work grant, and an 80-hour Ambassador earns a\$1,680.00 work grant.

If being a Skylander Student Ambassador is the right fit for you, **WE CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR FROM YOU!** Simply follow these steps:

- 1. Complete the attached application.
- 2. Obtain a written recommendation letter from a faculty or staff member. Have the letter of recommendation emailed to <u>arude@sussex.edu</u> <u>NOLATER THAN MONDAY</u>, <u>APRIL 12, 2021</u>.
- 3. Submit a typed essay (essay topics are located at the end of the application). Remember to put your best foot forward, check spelling, grammar, and punctuation!
- 4. Submit your application along with the supplemental documents to Amy Rude at <u>arude@sussex.edu</u> NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021.
- 5. Due to the COVID-19 regulations, personal interviews will be scheduled both in-person and via ZOOM during the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. This is the opportunity to WOW the selection committee, so make sure to bring your "A" game!

<u>If you are currently receiving or are planning to apply for Financial Aid, it is critical that</u> you contact the office of Financial Aid as soon as possible to ensure you will not affect your eligibility for aid by being selected as a Skylander Student Ambassador.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at arude@sussex.edu.

All the best,

Amy E. Rude

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# Sussex County Community College Office of Campus Life

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	Name				
SKYLANDERS					
Mailing Address					
Cell Phone					
Is your cumulative GPA a	t least a 2.5?	Yes	No	New Student	
Major Area of Study					
How did you learn about College Email		•		<i>hat Apply)</i> letin Board/Poster	Advisor
Campus Life Canv	as Frie	end	Faculty/St	taff Other	
High School Attended					
Please	grade yourse	elf in each	area using	y the following sco	ale.
O=Outsta	nding E=E	Excellent	G=Good	A=Average H	T=Fair
Attitude		Leadersh	ip	Creativ	ity
Public Speaking		Organiza	tional Skills	Critical	Thinking
Communication	(Written)	Self-Moti	vation	Problem	n Solving
Communication	(Verbal)	Team Wo	ork	Decisio	n Making
Time Manageme	ent	Work Eth	nic	Interpe	rsonal Relations

# **Skylander Student Ambassador Application**

# Prior Work or Volunteer Experience Please begin with your most recent experience. Employer or Organization:

Dates of Employment:	to	Position:
Description of your duties:		
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Dates of Employment:	to	Position:
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Please List your AVAILA	BLE times to work a	as a Skylander Student Ambassador.
Monday:		Wednesday:
Thursday:	Friday:	Saturday:
Sunday:		

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# Please list any school or community activities you are currently or previously involved with.

Examples: high school and/or college clubs, organizations, community service, athletic teams, etc. Please list most recent first.

Organization/Activity	Position	Dates

# Do you have any additional responsibilities that would affect your ability to meet your commitment to the Skylander Ambassador program?

If YES, please list. Examples include off-campus employment, student-athlete, student clubs, family commitments, etc.

#### Throughout the semester, several events & meetings are Mandatory:

Ambassador Orientation Day: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 (3:00pm-5:00 pm)

Leadership Training Day: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 (10:00 am-4:00 pm)

Summer Workshops: Tuesday, July 13, 2021; Tuesday, August 10, 2021 (both days 11:00 am-3:00 pm)

Orientation Prep Day: August 23, 2021 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Orientation Week: August 24, 2021-August 27, 2021 (All day with shifts)

<u>Bi-Monthly Staff Meetings</u>: September 10<sup>th</sup>, September 24<sup>th</sup>, October 8<sup>th</sup>, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup>, November 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, December 17<sup>th</sup> (all meetings will be from 11:00 am-1:00 pm)

#### Homecoming: TBD

Fall Open House: TBD

I acknowledge that I have read and understand that if accepted into the Skylander Student Ambassador Program I am required to will be available to work on the dates listed. In the case of a conflict, it is my responsibility to give adequate notice of such conflict.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date	
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#### Please responded to the following questions in the space provided.

1. Please briefly outline the responsibilities of the Skylander Student Ambassadors, as you understand them.

2. Are you comfortable speaking in front of large groups? What experience do you have speaking in front of large groups?

3. What are you educational, career, and personal goals beyond completing your degree at Sussex County Community College?

Please list the Name and College email address of the Staff or Faculty member from whom you have requested a Letter of Recommendation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

College Email

\_\_\_\_\_@sussex.edu

I certify that all the information provided on this application is true, and acknowledge that any misrepresentation and/or withholding of information may result in the rejection of this application or is just cause for discharge if discovered after position begins. I also understand that incomplete applications may not be considered.

Student Signature:

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sussex County Community College invites applications from all qualified students. As a matter of policy, the College prohibits discrimination based on sex, race, national origin (Title IX), religion, age or handicap (Section 504) in its admissions policies, educational programs, scholarship and loan programs, athletics, activities or employment policies.

## **Essay Topic**

Please answer one of the following questions based on your application status as either a New Applicant or Returning Ambassador and attach the response to your application before submitting.

## New Skylander Student Ambassadors Applicants

Please tell us why you are interested in becoming a Skylander Student Ambassador and if selected, how will you help the college and Campus Life achieve its goal of improving school spirit, student engagement and the campus atmosphere?

## **Returning Skylander Student Ambassadors Applicants**

You are complexing a schedule to help the college and Campus Life make strides toward the goal of improving school spirit, student engagement and the campus atmosphere? Please describe specific situations from your tenure as a Skylander Student Ambassador where you were able to impact and improve school spirit, student engagement, and campus atmosphere.

## **Applicant Selection Process**

Evaluation for the Skylander Student Ambassador program is a 100-point scale based on the following criteria:

Application Time/Effort	(15 points)
Application Complete	(15 points)
Application Content	(15 points)
Personal Essay	(15 points)
Recommendation Letter	(10 points)
Interview Average	(30 points)

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# The following outlines each graded category and what the selection committee will be looking at/for in each.

<u>Application Time/Effort:</u> Candidate took the time to follow directions, all information is organized, professional, and formatted.

<u>Application Complete:</u> Application is intact with all pages/questions, each section is filled out with info or N/A, reference was listed, and applicant was registered for fall 2021 during priority registration.

<u>Application Content:</u> Responses to questions are well thought out and complete, student shows interest in the leadership experience, demonstrates understanding of the program, and articulates a desire to be a Skylander Student Ambassador and have an impact on student engagement and school spirit that goes beyond financial benefits of the program.

<u>Personal Essay:</u> Response is well thought out and addresses the specific question asked. The essay is been proofread, well organized, and detail rich.

<u>Recommendation Letter</u>: Includes how long and in what capacity the Recommender knows the Applicant and what contributions to the program that the Recommender feels the Applicant will make to the Skylander Student Ambassador program.

<u>Interview:</u> Each Applicant will participate in a personal interview with a panel of Interviewers from across the College. The Applicant Interview score is the average of all Interviewers.

All completed applications are due to Amy Rude via email NO LATER THAN **FRIDAY**, **APRIL 9, 2021 by 5:00 pm**.

Application Checklist: Use this list to ensure that your submitted Application is complete.

Completed Skylander Student Ambassador Application

Essay Attached

Copy of Fall 2021 Registration Attached (all candidates MUST be registered during Priority Registration)

Copy of unofficial transcript attached (available on your student portal)

Recommendation Letter has been requested. Letter MUST be received by <u>Monday, April</u> <u>12, 2021 by 5:00 pm</u> to be counted toward the Selection Process. Letters should be emailed to Amy Rude at <u>arude@sussex.edu</u>