



## JUNIOR FACULTY ADVISOR POSITION

George Mason University and the Washington Journalism and Media Conference (WJMC) seek a dynamic and enthusiastic individual to fill the position of Faculty Advisor (FA) for two sessions of a week-long residential student leadership conference held **July 12-17 and July 19-24, 2026**.

**About WJMC:** The week-long program brings together 300 of the nation's brightest rising high school juniors and seniors for an intensive **experiential** conference focused on **leadership** and **journalism**. Students and staff reside on the Fairfax campus of George Mason University while taking advantage of Washington, D.C. and venues such as the National Press Club and the U.S. Capitol. **Detailed information and a tentative schedule can be found at [wjmc.gmu.edu](http://wjmc.gmu.edu).**

**Job Description:** The Junior Faculty Advisor is responsible for facilitating the assigned curriculum and providing students with the best possible conference experience in coordination with the Faculty Advisor. Each Junior Advisor will be assigned to a group of students that they will help lead along with a Faculty Advisor for the conference duration.

**Job Duties:**

- Help lead a group of up to 23 students and facilitate the assigned curriculum and discussion topics in coordination with the Faculty Advisor
- Work with one Faculty Advisor in the implementation of the curriculum
- Be able and willing to interact in a large group setting and hold responsibility for the safety and wellbeing of students at all times during the conference

**Job Requirements:**

- Graduating college with a Bachelors degree in **2027, 2028, or 2029**
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Alumni of WJMC
- Ability to carry out the responsibilities listed above and abide by the Conference Code of Conduct
- Interest and knowledge of journalism and media or related field
- Experience and/or interest in working with high school students
- A high energy level, flexibility, and the ability to work extended days and hours
- Travel to and from campus at the start and end of the conference and pay for parking if using a personal vehicle\*\*
- Must report to campus at **2 p.m. ET on July 10, 2026** and reside on campus at George Mason University for both conference weeks with departure on July 24, 2026
- Pass a mandatory criminal background check
- U.S. citizenship or lawful permanent residency

**Training:** In-person training on **July 10 and 11** is **REQUIRED** on campus at George Mason University. Housing is provided during training.

**Housing:** Room accommodation is provided from July 10 to July 24

**Travel:** Travel to and from George Mason University is not provided.

**Arrival:** Arrive on campus Friday, July 10 by 2 p.m.

**Departure:** Leave campus any time after 2 p.m. on Friday, July 24. Please make flight arrangements accordingly.

*\*\*If you are parking on campus, you will receive more information closer to the summer about purchasing a parking permit*

**Compensation:** Junior Faculty Advisors will receive \$700/session and room accommodation for the conference weeks plus 2 training days. We expect compensation to cover travel and minimal meal costs during the conference.

**How to Apply\*:** Send a resume and cover letter to the Associate Director by **March 15**.

*\*The JFA position is limited to 2 terms. If you have worked 2 summers as a JFA, unfortunately we are unable to review your application for hire.*

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