

HAWKS Peer Health Educator
Health Advocates for Wellness Knowledge and Skills

Job Description

The purpose of Peer Health Educators is to facilitate student learning and reflection on relevant health issues; encourage and assist students in making healthy lifestyle choices; serve as an information and resource referral; create awareness of health issues for individuals and the campus community at large; and contribute to the campus community in meaningful ways.

Peer Health Education staff work out of the Office of Health Education located in the Student Health Center. Hours per week will vary depending on program schedules, awareness events, etc. A minimum of 2 to 4 hours per week is usually required.

Specific position responsibilities include:

1. Attend weekly Wednesday evening meetings.
2. Participate in and contribute to staff training including successful completion of EDL 310 "*College Student Development and Group Process for Peer Educators*". This class will meet on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:40 p.m., March 4 through April 29, 2009. This course can be taken for one hour of academic credit.
3. Keep regular office hours in the Office of Health Education Resource Room (1 hour/week minimum).
4. Assist in and contribute to program development of specific topic areas including alcohol and other drug education; sexual health and decision making; nutrition and general health; mental health; men's and women's issues; and diversity and cultural awareness.
5. Assist and contribute to program delivery in a variety of campus venues including:
 - Presentations on specific topic areas
 - Awareness week/month (advertising and information research)
 - Discussion groups including *AlcoholEdu* follow up discussions
 - Small group facilitation (such as Greek New Member Education).
6. Assist in the administrative components of the program as assigned (e.g. serve as a liaison to specific community populations; distribute, collect and compile evaluation of programs; research and update existing program information; develop publicity and marketing strategies).

**Applications for 2009-2010 positions are due Monday, February 2, 2009
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