Peer Health Educator (PHE) Job Description

Overview

Given the positive connection between health and academic achievement, the mission of Health Promotion department within Student Wellness Services (SWS) at Queen’s University is to facilitate the adoption and maintenance of health enhancing behaviours among students.

Peer Health Educators contribute to this mission by:
- Providing accurate and current health information to students using a variety of strategies
- Assisting in the design and development of health promotion materials
- Conveying credible information to students about health resources on campus

Desired Qualities

- Interest in healthy lifestyle practices
- Confident in ability to present relevant health information to a group of students
- Able to approach and speak to students about relevant health issues
- Comfortable working independently and in groups
- Willing to work in a collaborative environment

Job Duties & Responsibilities

TRAINING AND MEETINGS
- Attend and actively participate in group training sessions (September 2018 and January 2019)
- Participate in bi-weekly team meetings
- Attend additional professional development opportunities as requested

TOPIC TEAMS
- Participate in regular topic team meetings and events
- Help plan, design, and deliver relevant outreach for designated health topic area
- Communicate progress on tasks with team members and team leader
- Participate in and support collaborations with other topic teams

CAMPUS OUTREACH
- Participate in regular residence walk-arounds
- Participate in organized campus-wide outreach and promotional events
- Sign up for shifts to support team members as required
- Actively prepare and facilitate workshops (based on incoming requests & availability)

GENERAL TASKS
- Create and maintain an inclusive environment for all PHEs
- Track all shifts and hours on iwork
- Complete all relevant evaluation forms related to topic team, workshops and outreach events
- Complete mid-year peer to peer evaluations & on-going skills assessment
- Discuss problem/concerns with Team Leaders and Coordinator as they arise
HOW TO APPLY

Please email a cover letter and resume directly to bewell@queensu.ca by the application deadline. Please include in your cover letter a brief statement on why you are interested in being a PHE volunteer.

**We highly recommend applicants take advantage of the resume review sessions offered by Career Services: [http://careers.queensu.ca/students/services-students/appointments/resume-review](http://careers.queensu.ca/students/services-students/appointments/resume-review)

If you have any further questions about volunteering with PHE you are welcome to contact the Health Promotion Coordinator at healthed@queensu.ca. You can also attend the drop-in volunteer information Session, Friday Feb. 9th in the Sutherland Room between 1:30-3:30pm.