

California State University, Fresno
University Health & Psychological Services
(Student Health Center)
Health Promotion & Wellness Services

Peer Health Educator Program
(Volunteer)

The Health Promotion & Wellness Services Department at the Student Health Center is currently looking to recruit 10 Peer Health Educators (PHEs) to implement one-on-one information sessions on birth control, sexually transmitted diseases and other information necessary to help their fellow students make informed decisions. In addition, PHEs will be asked to make presentations to campus clubs, organizations and housing as well as engage in other outreach activities to increase awareness about the program and its services.

Under the supervision of the Coordinator of Health Promotion & Wellness Services, trained PHEs will provide this information as part of the Family PACT program. The Family PACT program provides family planning services to low income men and women, at no cost.

This is a two-semester commitment. Volunteers will implement the PHE program during the fall 2011 and spring 2012 semesters.

Qualifications & Experience of PHE Applicant:

- Must be a Fresno State student.
- Must demonstrate the ability to work with individuals and groups in a leadership capacity.
- Must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills and be able to impart information in a non-biased manner.
- Previous experience as a peer health educator or leadership position with a campus club or organization is desirable.
- While students from all majors are encouraged to apply, completed courses work in the area of health, human sexuality, and diseases is a plus.
- Must be available to attend a one-week training scheduled during **August 8 – 12, 2011** as well as a one-day refresher training in January 2012 before the spring semester begins (date to be determined).
- Must be able to commit to approximately 5-10 hours per week including:
 - 1-hour weekly business and continuing education meeting to be held on **Wednesdays at noon**.
 - 5-9 hours of one-on-one health education informational sessions, project work and/or on-campus presentations.

Deadline to Apply:

- The deadline to apply is **Monday, May 2, 2011 by 5 p.m.** (no exceptions)
- Completed applications must be submitted to:

Kathy Yarmo
Coordinator, Health Promotion & Wellness Services
Student Health Center
California State University, Fresno
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kyarmo@csufresno.edu

- Applicants will be invited to participate in individual and group interview sessions on May 12-13, 2011.
- Applicants selected as PHEs will be notified the end of May 2011.
- Questions? Please contact Hannah Day at 278-6727 or Kathy Yarmo at 278-6739.

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Peer Health Educator Program Application

Part I: Personal Information

Name: _____ Phone : (_____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Present College Level: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Part II: Involvement Record

Please list any organizations/activities (on/off-campus), in which you have been involved. Please list the dates of involvement, positions held, and summary of activities implemented.

Part III: Application questions. Please limit your responses to 75-100 typed words per question.

1. Why do you want to be involved in the Peer Health Educator Program?

2. If selected as a Peer Health Educator, what would you bring to this program?

3. What personal characteristics and attributes do you possess that would make you a good candidate?

4. What community and/or campus experience do you have that might relate to this Peer Health Educator position?

5. What are common college students' misconceptions in regards to sexual health? What are some ways you think we can address these misconceptions?

Part IV: References

Please list the name, title, organization and phone number of two individuals who would be willing to serve as references for you. The individuals must be able to speak to your personal characteristics/ attributes or pertinent skills. The references might be current or past employers, faculty or advisors from current/past clubs or organizations. These individuals will only be called if you are invited to participate in the interview process.

1. _____
2. _____