SOCIAL IMPACT (SI) LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY PEER LEADER DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES 2017-2018

General Accountability

Reporting to the St. Paul’s Living-Learning Coordinator, the SI Peer Leader is responsible for providing leadership to their cluster (group of students) made up of students enrolled in the Social Impact Living-Learning Community. The Peer Leader is responsible for developing strong relationships with their appointed cluster ensuring that they participate in and benefit fully from the initiatives of the Living-Learning Community. This is a 4-8 month part time contract position from September through April that requires nontraditional hours.

Nature and Scope

St. Paul’s University College is excited to offer a new Living-Learning Community (LLC) for students seeking to make meaningful change and impact on the community and the world around them. In the LLC, students live in residence at St. Paul’s and are placed in small groups called clusters.

The goals of the Social Impact LLC are that the students participating in the living learning community will:

1. Learn what social innovation is and gain insight into the skills and knowledge needed by social innovators and entrepreneurs.
2. Identify areas of interest that they can explore as a social innovator by engaging with their passions and interests.
3. Build relationships and networks within St. Paul’s, the University of Waterloo, and the broader community that will assist them in making meaningful impact.
4. Learn from peers who offer a diversity of perspectives that reflects the interdisciplinary and entrepreneurial nature of the St. Paul’s and Waterloo communities.
5. Be supported personally through:
   a. peer & leader support from the residence community; and
   b. GreenHouse programming activities
Summary of Responsibilities:

- Connect weekly with your cluster (assigned group of students)
- Attend and support all events and activities of the community
- Attend LLC training
- Mentor and encourage SI students in the community
- Take direction and perform duties as assigned by the LLC Coordinator
- Be available and participate in campus visit days

Qualifications

1. An upper year undergraduate student with an interest in Social Impact and/or entrepreneurship
2. Proven organizational skills
3. A demonstrated aptitude for and commitment to forming mentoring relationships with young adults
4. Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a team setting and independently
5. Passionate commitment to build positive relationships with those around you

Requirements

If selected as a Peer Leader, attendance at the Peer Leader Training Sessions (to be finalized at a later date) are mandatory.

Compensation

Peer Leaders receive an hourly wage of $11.25/hour with a limit of 70 hours per term. This is considered taxable income. It is expected that Peer Leaders contribute roughly 5 hours per week to their role. Evening and weekend hours are required.

Peer Leaders are provided with a meal plan to be used to connect with the students in their community.

Contact

If you would like further information about your application and/or the application process, please do not hesitate to contact Steve Prentice at 519-885-1460 x 25219 or by e-mail s3prentice@uwaterloo.ca