

Why become a Peer Educator?

Becoming a **Peer Educator** provides you with an excellent opportunity to become involved with positive change on campus while learning valuable skills in public speaking and facilitating social change. As a **peer** **educator** you will endeavor to help prevent sexual assault, relationship violence, and discrimination amongst your peers at the University of Montana through providing training and raising awareness. Upon completion of 16 hours of training and after an approval process, you will facilitate trainings on the following topics: Bystander Intervention, First Responder Training and Self-care and Stress Management. You will also have the opportunity to be involved in other activities related to raising awareness around interpersonal violence on campus, such as organizing awareness raising activities, developing and distributing social marketing material, etc.Independent Study or internship credits may be available through some departments.

***Peer Educator Experience***

* **Event planning**

Relationship Violence Awareness Month

Social Justice Fair

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

* **Presentation experience**

Bystander Intervention

Healthy Relationships

Self-care and Stress Management

Addressing Microaggressions

First Responder Training

* **Assessment of prevention education**

Analysis of pre/post feedback

Application

For

 Peer Educator

Peer educators are carefully selected, beginning with a written application. Applications can be dropped off at the Student Advocacy Resource Center (SARC) which is located in the east entrance of the Curry Health Center, upstairs in Room 108. Contact SARC at 406.243.4429 with any questions or e-mail: drew.colling@mso.umt.edu for more information or to receive an electronic application.

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University affiliations (clubs, groups, etc.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions:** (attach page if you need more space)

1. Why do you want to become a peer educator?
2. What pertinent skills or experience do you have that you think would be helpful to you as a peer educator? Please list relevant experience in public speaking, activism, leadership positions, working across cultures, personal experience, etc.
3. Explain what strengths and leadership qualities that you possess.
4. Why do you think interpersonal violence (stalking, relationship violence, and sexual assault) occurs so prevalently in our culture?
5. What ideas do you have for SARC that might help change people’s perceptions about sexual assault, relationship violence, and/or discrimination here on campus and in the Missoula community?
6. We rely on the dedication and commitment of peer educators to ensure that we can offer quality training and raise awareness. There is a significant time commitment required to be a peer educator. Are you willing and able to commit to the following?
* 16 hours of required outreach training.
* 180 hours for full practicum experience

**RETURN THIS APPLICATION to the SARC office or by email to** **drew.colling@mso.umt.edu**