Student Position Description

JOB TITLE: SPARKS Peer Educator
REPORTS TO: SPARKS Team Leader (TL)
PAY RATE: Tier I – starts at $9.00/hour

DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT:
Campus Recreation & Wellness contributes to the holistic well-being of students, faculty, and staff by providing access to recreational and educational experiences fostering a sense of community and belonging, and empowering individuals to cultivate positive wellness values and behaviors that last throughout and beyond their time at Elon.

SUMMARY OF POSITION:
The SPARKS peer educators plan, implement, and evaluate health and wellness programs for students and members of the wider community.

LEARNING PRACTICES:
Through employment in Campus Recreation & Wellness, the team leader will:

- Develop transferrable skills such as teamwork, communication, time management, organization, conflict resolution, critical thinking, and decision-making.
- Be able to articulate the value of recreation and wellness in the overall college student experience.
- Develop a personal leadership philosophy based on the Social Change Model principles of leading one’s self, leading others, and leading for change.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Cultivate a welcoming, inclusive, and non-judgmental space for individuals and groups to connect and develop authentic relationships with peers
- Facilitate ongoing/reoccurring wellness workshops and presentations, including occasional day and/or weekend retreats
- Participate in weekly focus group meetings (i.e. mental health/physical health, substance education, sexual health)
- Holds a minimum of one weekly office hour in the SPARKS Peer Education Office—105G Moseley
- Collaborate with individuals, groups, campus and community organizations to develop programs that empower students to make informed, value-based decisions
- Practice and demonstrate proficiency in facilitating one additional SPARKS workshop each semester
- Plan and implement wellness programs and events on a variety of college health topics
- Contribute to planning and facilitating SPARKS programs and workshops
- Complete the common reading before the start of the fall semester
- Complete necessary administrative tasks (specific to team)
- Foster strong partnerships with other team leaders, members of their team, as well as colleagues throughout Campus Recreation & Wellness
- Deliver quality customer service to all patrons, program participants, and visitors
- Attend weekly business meetings
- Other duties and projects as assigned
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:
- Certified Peer Educator (CPE) Training *available through Campus Recreation & Wellness*
- Mental Health First Aid Training *preferred - available through Campus Recreation & Wellness*
- Ability to manage tasks in a changing environment with flexibility and confidence
- Demonstrated positive attitude, sensitivity, and sound judgement to facilitate and teach effectively with a diversity of staff, participants, groups, and others
- Enthusiasm for the group development and for facilitating experiences for others
- Valid driver’s license and the ability to become van certified through Elon

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:
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