Equity Ambassador position description

Role overview

The Equity Ambassadors are a diverse group of student leaders who raise awareness about social justice and human rights issues, through education and peer engagement on campus. The Equity Ambassadors work towards building and sustaining inclusive working, learning and living environments for all students, staff and faculty at UBC.

Organizational Relationship

Equity Ambassadors is a Peer Program run by the Equity & Inclusion Office with support from the Centre for Student Involvement and Careers. An Equity Educator and Student Program Assistant from the Equity & Inclusion Office supervise the Equity Ambassador team.

Primary Functions

- Plan and lead events that promote social justice awareness
- Collaborate with other peer leader groups and student clubs on campus
- Facilitate student dialogues on potentially polarizing social issues
- Engage campus community in dialogue in campaigns designed to create greater awareness and inclusion

Time commitments

Important Dates
- Spring Welcome – Saturday March 23, 2019 (full day)
- Peer Programs Launch and learn – Sunday September 1, 2019 (full day)

Regular Meetings

Every Tuesdays, 4-6pm.

Term 1: September 10, 2019 – exam period
Term 2: January 7, 2020 – exam period

Weekly Commitment

We require that you attend two hours meetings per each (Tuesdays 4-6pm). In addition we ask that you commit an average of 2-3 hours outside of our regular meetings for project work, event planning or facilitation training.
Desired skills and experience

- Committed to and enthusiastic about ongoing learning
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and in a team setting
- Organized and able to manage competing priorities
- Proven ability to take initiative
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Confidence in public speaking and leading workshops, or the desire to learn these skills
- Ability to handle confidential or sensitive issues with tact and discretion
- Commitment to or interest in issues relating to social justice
- Experience working with campus groups that are under represented or marginalized

While training is provided on specific social justice issues, a commitment to core values of equity and inclusion is central to a successful and fulfilling experience for all those involved in the program.

Benefits of participating in this role

- Enhance leadership skills in the areas of critical thinking, communication, presentation and facilitation, team-building, collaborative decision-making and community building.
- Develop a greater understanding of social justice issues.
- Gain tangible skills in meeting organization, presentation development, and project management.
- Make new friends with shared values, opportunities to in respectful dialogue about social justice issues, build connections and partnerships with other student groups, and become better connected to the UBC community.

Contact information for questions

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