

Mentored Study Program Leader

Description

The Mentored Study Program (MSP) supports students who may be finding the course especially challenging. Group size is generally kept small to support more individualized attention from the leader. Peer Leaders meet weekly with students to help clarify student questions, support students in reviewing and refining their understanding of key concepts, collaboratively work through practice problems, prepare for quizzes and exams, and discuss effective study strategies in a highly inclusive environment. Runs in select science, math, engineering, and social science courses.

Job Duties

The Peer Leader will:

- Facilitate a weekly 2-hour study session (runs nine weeks, starting week 2)
- Attend a weekly one-hour prep meeting starting in Week 2
- Attend leadership meetings 3 times a quarter
- Record student attendance from their session
- Help with evaluation of the program
- For new peer leaders only: enroll in the online, asynchronous training course (fall & winter quarter), SESP 291

Qualifications

The Peer Leader must:

- Be a Northwestern University undergraduate student
- In most cases, have a B+ or higher in the course they wish to facilitate for
- Be committed to fostering learning environments where all students, no matter their backgrounds or personal characteristics, feel valued
- Be committed to growing and improving as a peer leader over the year
- Have outstanding interpersonal skills
- Be committed to helping other Northwestern students succeed

Dates of Employment

This position is a year-long commitment (with exceptions for those students facilitating for courses that are offered only during one or two quarters). Please note that occasionally, groups do not fill. In this circumstance, we do our best to find a placement for peer leaders, but this might not be possible in all cases.

Compensation

- The Peer Leader will be paid each quarter they are employed.
- Students who are work-study eligible may elect to have their stipend put toward their work-study allotment (this is optional, not required).
- Students with or without work-study eligibility are welcome to apply.

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