PEER HEALTH EDUCATOR (PHE)

The Peer Health Educators (PHEs) are a diverse group of students trained to educate their residential commons and campus community about college lifestyle and wellness issues in a positive, interactive, fun, and nonjudgmental manner.

Comprehensive training prepares the PHEs to provide confidential patient education sessions; facilitate dynamic outreach programs; encourage physical, mental, and spiritual health; create informative awareness events; and promote community support to create a healthy campus culture. The Peer Health Educators are dedicated to providing education and community support with sensitivity to race, gender, sexual orientation, culture, religion, and individual capabilities.

Responsibilities

- Educate students on mental health issues and nutrition.
- Alcohol, Drugs and Sex Education Programs
 - o Reducing Irresponsible Drinking and Drugs Week
 - o SAFE Week
- Facilitate passive programming in the Residential Commons
- Work with RA's and RCD's on programming specific to your commons
- Serve as a liaison for the SMU Student Health Center
 - **o** Flu shot information
 - o Health risk information

Specific Qualifications

- Minimum Grade Point Average of a 3.0 (verified through student records)
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student
- Must demonstrate an authentic desire to create an inclusive community
- Must be available for PHE training beginning August 12, 2015 on campus

Specific Benefits

- Significant leadership experience
- Priority housing selection
- Early Move-in