Apply to be a Peer Educator

- Receive training and work with licensed mental health professionals
- Provide psychoeducational outreach services to UCI students
- Gain practical experience valued by many graduate schools
- Qualify for Social Ecology 195 Field Study (Winter or Spring)
- Receive 3 units of academic credit each quarter

For further information, check out the Counseling Center website:
http://www.counseling.uci.edu/peer-programs/peer-educator.html

Application Submission Instructions:
Please email your application to: ucipeereducators@gmail.com with the subject saying [PEER EDUCATOR APPLICATION – (NAME)]
OR submit in person to the Counseling Center at the Counseling Center Reception Desk:
SSI, Room 203
[Located across from Student Center Starbucks]

Timeline for the selection process:
Application and Recommendation Form Deadline:
April 17, 2017 by 12pm
Group & Individual Interviews:
April 29th, 2017
WORKING TITLE          Counseling Center Peer Educator

TIME COMMITMENT        7-10 hrs/week for the 2017-2018 academic year
                        Some evening/weekend hours

ACADEMIC CREDIT
School of Social Ecology
- 198 Directed Studies (Fall, Winter, Spring) 3 units, Pass/No pass
- 195 Field Study Site (Winter or Spring)

MANDATORY CLASS TIME   Fall, Winter, Spring Quarter
                        Wednesday, 3-5pm

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS  Minimum GPA of 2.5

MISSION
As a component of the Counseling Center’s Consultation and Outreach
Program, the Peer Educator Program trains undergraduate students to
provide psychoeducational (primary prevention) services to the UCI
student body.

JOB DESCRIPTION
- Participate in weekly training/supervision sessions
- Collaborate with fellow Peers Educators to create and present interactive
  psychoeducational workshops to various student groups
- Meet with Counseling Center Staff to better understand Counseling
- Center services and to gain insight into potential future careers
- Assist staff with primary prevention outreach events
- Market the services of the Counseling Center and the Peer Program through
  flyering, tabling, poster-making, in-class announcements, and other creative
  outreach methods Raise funds to support the program
- Complete assignments relevant to development as both a Peer Educator and
  an individual
- Create a special project to improve the program for future Peer Educators.
SKILLS TO BE ACQUIRED

• Understanding the mental health needs of university students
• Workshop design and presentation skills
• Knowledge of primary prevention content areas (e.g. stress reduction)
• Understanding the role of a university counseling center
• Time management skills
• Cultural competency in interaction with a diverse community
• Communication skills and inclusive language
• Ability to recognize signs of distress and make a referral
• Leadership skills and collaboration skills
• Models of college student development

**Listings are not all-inclusive.

NOTE ABOUT APPLICATION: The recommendation forms must be completed by instructors, advisors, or supervisors from your current or previous place of employment. Recommendations from family members, friends, or students cannot be accepted. All recommendations, in order to be accepted, must clearly state the name, position, and school/business of the recommender and be sent directly to Dr. Manese in business envelopes or emailed to Dr. Manese at jmanese@uci.edu.

Recommendations delivered by the applicant cannot be accepted.
University of California, Irvine
Counseling Center
Peer Educator Application

Full Name:
_____________________________________________________________________________

Local Address: Permanent Address:
________________________  __________________________
________________________  __________________________

Phone Number: (   ) _____-_______  E-Mail: __________________

Educational Background

School/Major:
______________________________________________________________________________________________

GPA: __________  Expected Date of Graduation: __________

Universities or Colleges Attended:

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Optional: Please feel free to attach a resume to the application. However, the entire application must still be completed.
List relevant experiences (E.g. clubs, organizations, internships, volunteer, etc):

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List or describe relevant coursework:

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Career objective(s):

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Please list all your commitments for the 2017-2018 academic year and the time you will need to spend on each per week. Include pending positions that you are applying for. (E.g. work, clubs, internships, etc):

Activity 1:____________________________________________________________ Hrs:_____

Activity 2:____________________________________________________________ Hrs:_____

Activity 3:____________________________________________________________ Hrs:_____

Activity 4:____________________________________________________________ Hrs ______
Are you also applying for the Counseling Center's C.O.A.C.H. Program? Y / N
If so, please indicate your first choice. (circle one)

Peer Educator Program       C.O.A.C.H.

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Have you attended any of our workshops? If so, which workshops?

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How did you hear about the Peer Educator Program?

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I have completed my application honestly and to the best of my ability.

Signature of Applicant: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________
COUNSELING CENTER PEER EDUCATOR SELF EVALUATION
Application Deadline: April 17, 2017 by 12pm

Name: ____________________________________________

1. Please evaluate yourself on the following characteristics. Keep in mind that we will be looking for evidence in your application to support your rating. Questions pertaining to your rating may be asked during the interview process.

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    a. Describe why you want to be in the Counseling Center’s Peer Educator Program.
    b. From the list of characteristics above, state which two (2) qualities you feel are most important to being a Peer Educator and describe prior experiences in which you have demonstrated these characteristics.
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*3. Briefly describe the candidate's strengths:

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*4. Briefly describe the candidate's area(s) for growth:

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5. Overall, would you:

___ Highly recommend this candidate
___ Recommend this candidate
___ Recommend this candidate with reservations
___ Not recommend this candidate

*If more convenient, please feel free to write your brief responses to questions 3 and 4 on an attached page.

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Signature of recommender: ___________________________Date: ________________

Name: ___________________________ Title: ______________________________

Place of Employment: ______________________________________________________

Email recommendation form to Dr. Manese at jmanese@uci.edu or mail/deliver this form to:

Jeanne Manese, Ph.D.
Counseling Center University of California, Irvine 203
Student Services I
Irvine, CA 92697-2200
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE COUNSELING CENTER
PEER EDUCATOR PROGRAM

Recommendation Form Deadline:
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Candidate’s Name: _____________________________________________

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Communication skills  
(public speaking)                     1   2   3   4   5   6   7
Ability to work as part of a team    1   2   3   4   5   6   7
Initiative                             1   2   3   4   5   6   7
Follow through                         1   2   3   4   5   6   7
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