**Description: School of Nursing SOAR 2009 Peer Adviser**

The SOAR Peer Adviser will spend most of their time collaboratively working with School of Nursing professional advisors to orient and advise freshmen and transfer students during the summer SOAR program. The Peer Adviser will work with incoming students in small groups and on an individual basis to answer questions and concerns of the students and help them select and enroll for courses. Responsibilities will also include delivering group presentations, explaining how to read the timetable, assisting with web enrollment utilizing MY UW, and providing referrals to campus resources.

Applicants **MUST** have completed two semesters at UW-Madison by the Spring 2009, and must be continuing nursing or pre-nursing students at UW-Madison (i.e. registered for Fall ’09).

**Skills Gained**

- Improved presentation skills
- Enhanced group facilitation skills
- Increased interpersonal communication abilities
- Acquire a vast knowledge of pre-nursing, School of Nursing, and general education requirements
- Leadership experience through a central role in creation, development, and implementation of the SOAR program
- Exposure to and experience as a key member of a team

**Qualifications: School of Nursing SOAR Peer Adviser**

- Ability to work with a broad range of undergraduates and transfer students with a variety of academic interests
- Ability to relate to students from a spectrum of cultural, economic, ethnic, and regional backgrounds
- Commitment to diversity and an inclusive campus community
- Excellent interpersonal communication, group facilitation, and public speaking skills
- Patience in working with groups of students
- Willingness to learn about undergraduate academic requirements
- Pride in UW-Madison
- Must be able to attend all interviews, training sessions and be available for the entire SOAR program
- Peer Advisers may take summer session courses **IF AND ONLY IF** the courses do not conflict with interviews, training, and SOAR scheduled work times
Time Commitments

- **Interviews:** Wednesdays, March 25 and April 1

- **Training sessions:** Thursday, May 28 - Friday, May 29; Monday, June 1 - Tuesday, June 2
  *Training may not take place on all dates

- **SOAR Dates:** Wednesday, June 3—Friday, July 31, 2009
  - Hired applicants can expect approximately 30 hours per week
  - Hours are 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday (may vary each day)
  - Peer Advisors cannot have other major commitments for the summer

Compensation

- The wage is $8.50/hour

To Apply

Please send:

- Attached application form
- Cover letter
- One page resume with 2 references (names and contact information). For assistance with preparing resumes, please utilize models on the SoN studentnet website: [http://academic.son.wisc.edu/studentnet/resources/career_services.html](http://academic.son.wisc.edu/studentnet/resources/career_services.html)

or work with the L&S Career Services Center at 1305 Linden Drive; [http://www.lssaa.wisc.edu/careers/resumes/resumes+cover.html](http://www.lssaa.wisc.edu/careers/resumes/resumes+cover.html)

- **Application Materials due Thursday, March 12, 2009 in K6/146 Clinical Sciences Center**

Questions

Please contact:
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Or mailing address:
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SOAR 2009
Peer Adviser Application
School of Nursing
University of Wisconsin – Madison

Name: __________________________

Madison Address: __________________________

Madison Phone Number: __________________________

Email Address: __________________________

What is your class standing?  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior

UW-Madison major: __________________________

Please indicate all interview times you would be able to attend if selected for an interview:

__________ Wednesday March 25, 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
__________ Wednesday March 25, 2:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.
__________ Wednesday April 1, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
__________ Wednesday April 1, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please Attach:
• This application form
• Cover letter
• One page resume with 2 references (names and contact information)

Must be returned by Thursday, March 12, 2009 to:

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