

Frequently Asked Questions about the Junior Peer Educator positions

What is the application process?

- Selected applicants will be contacted for a phone interview.
- Selected applicants will then be invited for an in-person interview.
- Up to 15 applicants will be invited to participate in the 30-hour training session.
- Up to 5 applicants will be selected to become Junior Peer Educators, and a number of the remaining training participants will be considered alternate candidates for 18 months.

What is the best age to be a Junior Peer Educator?

- The most successful Peer Educators are about the same age as the workshop participants. Most participants are between the ages of 17 and 22.

If I am invited to participate in the training, will I be paid?

- Candidates are not paid for participating in the 30-hour training program.
- Candidates will receive Metrocards, and food will be served at each session.
- This is a great opportunity to learn about important information regarding dating violence and healthy relationships- think of it as being able to take a class for free!

When does the position begin?

- The training will take place June 27 – July 3, 2014, and is required for candidates wanting to be considered for a Junior Peer Educator position.
- Junior Peer Educators will begin facilitating workshops in August. (This is not a summer position.)

What if I am not available during the week days?

- While workshops take place any day of the week, starting as early as 9:00am and as late as 6:30pm, the Academy is particularly in need of Peer Educators who are available 9:00am – 3:00pm, Monday – Friday.
- Strong applicants who are available only in the evenings or on the weekends will be considered, however, note that there are fewer opportunities to work during those hours.

What if I am still in school?

- Young people who are in school (high school or college) are encouraged to apply.
- Workshops are assigned based on availability. The Director works closely with each educator regarding their schedule.

How long is this position for?

- The length of the position varies for each individual. We ask that selected Junior Peer Educators commit to the program for at least a year. Continuation with the program is possible with successful performance as a facilitator.

What if I have no job experience?

- Applicants do not need to have any job experience in order to be considered.
- The training program provides a thorough learning experience on both dating violence and facilitation skills.

What if I do not have a resume?

- Applicants must submit a resume and a completed application in order to be considered.
- Consider using a resume-building program in order to create your resume.