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Connect: Volunteer Leadership Opportunities

The Centre for Student Engagement and UniAdvice are looking for 25 UOW students to facilitate the 5th Elevate Young Leaders Forum.

Elevate is a leadership program for Year 11 student leaders. It aims to inspire and encourage participants to reach their full leadership potential. In 2013 there were over 300 students from 65 schools involved in Elevate.

Elevate consists of three full-day forums held across the year. Each Elevate day focuses on a different aspect of leadership through a combination of keynote speakers, fun leadership activities, and small discussion groups.

The Role of an Elevate Facilitator

As an Elevate Facilitator, you should be passionate about leadership and believe that youth can make a difference. You should be someone who is interested in building on your own previous leadership experience and developing your personal skill set concurrent to your university studies.

In this role you will:

 Coordinate workshop activities at each Elevate forum.
 Listen to young keynote speakers who have achieved great things and be able to discuss the points of their presentation
 Facilitate discussions with a group of 10 – 15 Year 11 students guiding your group towards learning outcomes.
 Have the opportunity to work closely with staff to plan and run each day
 Have fun and enjoy meeting other students interested in leadership

Skill development

In this role you will practice and develop a range of skills including:

 Interpersonal skills
 Work collaboratively with a range of people from different backgrounds
 Problem solving through flexibility and innovation
 Facilitation skills
 Leadership skills

It is a great opportunity to engage and inspire students from a range of backgrounds and locations.
Your Responsibilities as an Elevate Facilitator

1. To adhere to the Elevate Code of Conduct – this code addresses: use of mobile phones; use of social media; language/content; dress code; attendance; working with children; and representing the University of Wollongong.
2. To attend all training sessions throughout the year
3. To attend all 3 Elevate Days
4. To attend a briefing session one week before each Elevate Day
5. To act as an ambassador for the University of Wollongong.

Selection Criteria:

Essential skills:

- Developed interpersonal and communication skills
- Teamwork skills
- Volunteer experience
- The ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds

Desirable skills:

- Ability to motivate others
- Facilitation experience
- A knowledge of UOW and the Illawarra area

Elevate Dates for 2014 (exact dates TBC)

1. End May
2. Early August
3. Early November

If you are interested in volunteering as an Elevate Young Leaders Forum Facilitator, please fill in the application form, attach your response to the selection criteria along with your resume, and drop it in to the CSE Office in building 11 or email Josh Pallas jipallas@uow.edu.au. Also, if you have any questions don’t hesitate to email or call on 4221 8009.

Applications close on 21 March 2014

Group interviews will be conducted to select 2014 facilitators. Introductory training will be held for one day in the Autumn mid-session recess (week commencing April 22).