

Peer Mentors Wanted!!!

The **College of Design** is seeking qualified applicants for 11 peer mentors who will work with either the Design Exchange or Design Collaborative Learning Communities. Applicants may apply for one or both programs.

Design Collaborative – Fall Semester Only, Course Based Program

The Design Collaborative is a one-semester, non-residential learning community *required* for all first-year students enrolled in the College of Design, who are not enrolled in the Design Exchange. The Design Collaborative provides students with the opportunity to connect with both peers and faculty members, expand their knowledge of the various disciplines offered by the College of Design and enhance their skills necessary to succeed as design students. Students will take a .5 credit seminar during the first 10 weeks of the semester.

Design Exchange – Year Long, Residential Program

Design Exchange is a residential program housed in Linden and Friley Halls. Both halls have studio workspaces designated specifically for Design Exchange participants and peer mentors. Students will take a 1 credit design seminar course and will be clustered in the same sections of DSN S 183 and DSN S 131 as well as ENGL 150, ENGL 250, and MATH 142, if needed. Peer mentors will be instrumental in the planning and facilitation of a two-day field trip to Minneapolis as well as academic and social activities.

Required Qualifications for Both Programs

- Admission into one of the professional programs offered by the College of Design
- Current sophomore status or above
- Minimum 2.75 GPA
- Interest and experience in leading or teaching other students
- Ability to develop social activities for learning community participants
- Strong listening and communication skills
- Actively participate in planning and facilitation of class sessions and field trips
- Attend Peer Mentor Training in August before classes begin
- **Design Exchange Only** – 2 of the 3 Peer Mentors must live in the designated residence halls

Preferred Qualifications for Both Programs

- Knowledge and experience with the Design Core program
- Completed the portfolio review process
- Ability to lead review sessions for DSN S 183, 131, and/or 102.

Compensation

Design Collaborative

5 hours/week at \$10/hour
Position lasts 10 weeks
Not to exceed \$500

Design Exchange – Residential Mentor

15 hours/week at \$12/hour
Not to exceed \$2880/semester

Design Exchange – Nonresidential Mentor

9 hours/week at \$12/hour
Not to exceed \$1728/semester