Exciting changes are happening with the ACES program in the next academic year!

Since January 2019, the ACES program has increased CSW’s capacity for outreach and education. Our ACES have also allowed us to improve our programming by making our content and delivery more relevant and trustworthy, thanks to its peer-to-peer design.

With such rapid growth of the ACES team over a short time period, we have been reassessing how to make the program more effective for the student body and beneficial to both ACES members and CSW staff. After researching peer education programs at other universities, brainstorming as a team, and seeking out additional funding, we are ready to reveal our plans for ACES 2.0.

Starting Fall 2022, ACES will no longer be a scholars program. Instead, ACES positions are transitioning to paid student staff positions! We see several mutually beneficial aspects to this change. These include (but are not limited to):

- Ability to pay students fairly for their work
- Focused roles allow for specific skill-building (marketing/communications, outreach, event planning, podcast production)
- Opportunity for increased engagement among ACES and between ACES/CSW and student body
- Two teams allow for deeper learning across multiple topics (harm reduction AND mental wellness; sexual wellness AND violence prevention)
- More opportunities to work with ACES teammates and CSW staff in office

Because of the transition, we will not be recruiting for the ACES program as we have done in the past. Instead, before the end of spring semester, we will be collecting information of interested students while we finalize the details of the new program and positions. Then in the summer, we will be hiring for each of the positions.

We have a great group of ACES sincerely hope that you apply for any of the positions that appeal to you. Please read below for more information to help you decide.

Details of new ACES positions

- Hours: 10-12 hours per week
- Pay rate: at least $13 per hour
- Available positions:
  - **Outreach coordinators** (2): manage ACES inbox; receive and respond to emails requesting tabling/workshops/event collaborations; set informational meetings with requestors to establish context for event/how to tailor to population; poll ACES with requestor’s preferred dates/times; schedule finalized event and send out calendar invites to ACES; track ACES workshop/event requests and attendance
  - **Event coordinators** (2): brainstorm engaging events for peers; collaborate with other peer groups on campus; run planning committees for campaign months
(DVAM/SAAM/Healthy Relationships, etc); collect/summarize workshop/event feedback; conduct focus groups with peers

- **Marketing & communications coordinators** (2): manage ACES/CSW social media accounts; design marketing assets; promote ACES/CSW events; schedule content for social media; contribute content to CSW blog and newsletter

- **Podcast producers** (2): brainstorm potential guests; research episode topics; develop script and questions for guests; serve as podcast co-hosts; edit episodes; interview peers for student perspectives

- **Recruitment and hiring timeline:**
  - April 2022: Seek out interested students/nominations and collect information
  - May: jobs posted through University Human Resources
  - June: CSW reviews applications, conducts 1st & 2nd round interviews
  - July: CSW decides on finalists and contacts candidates
  - August: Hiring is finalized and ACES staff attends fall training (week before fall semester starts)

**We hope to see you apply! In the meantime, please send us your information through [this link](#) so we can update you once applications are live through the University’s HR website.**

Thank you!

~Center for Student Wellness