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*Student*  
HEALTH CENTER

Dear MSU Student,

Thanks for your interest in the Student Health Center's peer education program at Mississippi State University. Please complete an application and sign up for an interview before November 10, 2004. You will have a fifteen-minute interview with the Top DAWGS coordinator, advisors, and graduate assistants. Interviews will be conducted on November 12, 2004 in the Longest Student Health Center. Requirements for applying are that you must be a full-time MSU student and have a G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher. Students who can devote an entire year to the peer education program are preferred.

As you decide whether you would like to become a peer educator for the Student Health Center, please consider some information about the Top DAWGS Peer Education program and what being a member involves. Top DAWGS Peer Educators is a group of selected students who provide health education programs and act as a resource to students at Mississippi State University. Peer Educators will present programs on many topics such as Stress Management, Cancer, Nutrition, Drug/Alcohol Use, Sexuality, General Wellness, and Sexual Assault. Peer Educators are also available to provide information and support to individual students.

Responsibilities of a peer educator include:

- Attending weekly training/meetings (Meeting time will be determined at the beginning of the Spring semester)
- Designing, organizing, and participating in awareness activities
- Designing and presenting health programs for campus organizations, residence halls, etc...
- Staffing information tables (Example: Breast Cancer Awareness Table)
- Designing and/or distributing flyers, brochures, and posters
- Updating the Top DAWGS Peer Education webpage
- Participating in campus-wide wellness projects

Applicants are asked to consider their academic load and extra-curricular commitments they will have next semester before applying. Being a member of Top DAWGS requires a commitment of time and energy. Training will take place January 5-7, 2005. Office hours and meeting times will be approximately 3 to 5 hours per week.

If you would like to learn more about specific health issues, raise awareness to students on campus, and have the time/interest to become a member of Top DAWGS, you are encouraged to apply. We welcome your contribution to the peer education program. If you have any questions please contact Jennifer Fuller @ 325-7545 or stop by the Health Education office in the Student Health Center—third floor (asked to be directed to Health Education).

*Applications need to be hand delivered in a sealed envelope to:*

Health Education  
Longest Student Health Center  
Mississippi State University

**BE SURE TO SIGN UP FOR AN INTERVIEW TIME WHEN YOU DELIVER YOUR APPLICATION**

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 10, 2004**

PHYSICAL EMOTIONAL SOCIAL  
Cornerstones to Healthy Lifestyle ETHICAL

# TOP DAWGS PEER EDUCATORS

## Application

Spring 2005

Application Deadline: November 10, 2004

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Interests and Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

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What campus or community organizations do you belong to and what leadership roles if any do you hold? (greek, honor society, clubs, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your motivation for becoming a member of Top DAWGS? \_\_\_\_\_

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What qualities/skills will you bring to the program? What skills would you like to develop while you are in the program? \_\_\_\_\_

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What ideas do you have for educational/awareness activities that you think would be engaging and valuable for the students? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you work a part-time or full-time job? If so, how many hours a week? \_\_\_\_\_

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Approximately how many hours a week are you able to devote to this program?

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Do you have any night classes? If so, when do they meet? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check the top three (3) areas of interest to you:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Nutrition / Eating Disorders / Weight Control
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sexuality/STDs /Safe Sex
- \_\_\_\_\_ General Wellness (Stress Management, men's and women's health, etc. )
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cancer (skin, breast, testicular, cervical, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sexual Assault Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ Alcohol/Drug Education

Has anyone close to you been affected by the particular areas that are of interest to you?  
How did this affect you and how will it affect your work as a peer educator? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please rate the following according to your level of interest, experience, and skills

1- None      2- Little      3-Some      4-Extensive

	Interest	Experience	Skill
Giving a Presentation			
Conducting Research			
Facilitating Group Discussions			
Designing Displays & flyers			
Web Design			
Giving Presentation			
Planning and Organizing Program			
Performing Dramas			

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Longest Student Health Center, Mississippi State University

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I have read the Top DAWG Peer Education Sheet and understand the level of commitment and responsibilities involved.

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Signature

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Date