Learning Assistant Job Description

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Learning Assistant at Boise State University. Please carefully read the qualifications, time commitment, and application process outlined below.

What is a Learning Assistant (LA)?
LA’s are peer leaders who are matched with a specific section and faculty member to provide academic support to students in that course. LA’s attend class regularly to assist the faculty in facilitating classroom activities (group activities, discussions, etc.) and hold 2-3 study sessions a week outside of class time. The goal of these study sessions is to facilitate students coming to deeper understanding of course concepts and to "learn how to learn" through active learning strategies. LA’s will work closely with instructors to discuss students’ needs and implement strategies to encourage students to attend sessions. LA’s are responsible for maintaining and entering student participation information, and attending staff meetings for ongoing training.

Required Qualifications:
- Enrolled in at least 6 credits at Boise State University as a degree seeking student
- Able to communicate clearly and compassionately to all types of students
- Committed to creating an inclusive learning environment
- Able to commit to a full semester of employment
- Ability to speak and present information in front of a group
- Available for mandatory weekly staffing meetings on one of these days:
  - Tuesdays from 4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. OR
  - Fridays from 4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
- Available for mandatory training August 17 – 18, 2016 from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Preferred Qualifications:
- Sophomore status or higher
- Cumulative GPA of at least a 3.0
- Proficient in written and spoken English
- Experience as a tutor
- Leadership experience

Salary & Benefits:
1. $10 an hour, 6-10 hours/week (variable depending on course supported)
2. Gain experience with teaching and learning
3. Increased understanding of the subject matter
4. Development of professional relationships with faculty
5. Part of a national movement working to increase student success

Weekly Responsibilities (10 hr/wk):
- 4 hours of active learning session time outside of class
- 3 hours of attending the course
- 1.5 hours of preparing, planning, and promoting sessions
- 1.5 hours of staff meetings and professional development

To apply: check for position openings at aae.boisestate.edu/employment and follow the instructions to submit your application and a copy of your transcripts.