WHAT IS THE ACCESS SOCIAL ECOLOGY MENTORING PROGRAM?

ACCESS is a retention and peer mentoring program for new students within the school of Social Ecology. This student-centered program focuses on academic excellence, leadership development, and community engagement.

WHAT BENEFITS DO I GET AS A PEER MENTOR?

- Earn 4 units of Social Ecology 199 (letter grade) for two quarters and 4 units of Social Ecology 198 (P/NP) for one quarter. Topics covered in class include: retention and mentoring in higher education, campus climate, diversity and social justice, and community engagement.

- Explore educational and career goals

- Collaborate with peers under the guidance of program director to assist with program development, assessment, evaluation, and marketing/communications.

- Receive quarterly training and professional development opportunities that aid in your personal, career, and leadership development.

- Work collaboratively with faculty, staff, and administrators to develop and implement academic workshops.

- Serve as a positive role model for new students and help them reach their full potential.

REQUIREMENTS

- Junior or Senior standing for the 2017-2018 academic year
- Minimum GPA: 2.5
- Must be a current student within the School of Social Ecology

IF I AM SELECTED, WHAT ARE MY COMMITMENTS?

- Maintain good academic standing.

- Commit up to 10 hours per week, including 2 hours in class per week. Attend and participate in program workshops and service-learning projects which will occur on a Saturday during Week 7 or 8.

- Commit to the program for the entire academic year.

- Attend mandatory two-day training from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in late September 2017. Dates TBD and will be communicated to those who accept the position.

- Attend class and staff meetings (tentatively Tuesdays 4-6pm) and participate in quarterly one-on-ones with the program director.

- Complete all class readings and turn in all assignments.

Questions?
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2017-2018 ACCESS SOCIAL ECOLOGY PROGRAM
PEER MENTOR APPLICATION
DEADLINE: Friday, April 28th at 5pm

Please attach a current resume.

Last, First Name: ________________________   Student ID#: ________________________

UCI E-mail: ______________________________   Major(s): __________________________

Contact Phone Number: ____________________   Overall GPA: ________________________

On a separate sheet of paper, please type answers to the following questions:

• Why are you interested in applying for a peer mentor position?

• Tell us about a previous mentor in your life and how they’re important to you.

• What unique qualities do you have that would enable you to develop a positive mentoring relationship with new students from diverse backgrounds?

• What co-curricular activities have you been involved in both on and off campus? Why are they important to you?

• What are your future educational and/or career goals?

• List 1-2 references who can speak to your abilities.

You will be contacted via e-mail no later than end of Week 5 to schedule a 20-minute interview which will take place during Weeks 6 and 7.