IMPORTANT DATES

**March 14**<sup>th</sup>- Applications Due (2:00 pm)

**April 4-8**<sup>th</sup>- Peer Mentor Interview Week

Once your application has been reviewed you will sign up for an Interview time that works best in your schedule. Interviews will take 30-45 minutes.

**April 11**<sup>th</sup>- Mentor Selection Announced via Email

**DATE TBD**- Mentor Training Session

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT: DERRICK (LGBTQA PEER MENTOR PROGRAM MANAGER)

EMAIL: LGBTQA.ENGAGEMENT@UNL.EDU

CALL: 402-472-1652
Our goal is for all first Year LGBTQA+ students to have a mentor. Mentors are students who are second-year or upper class students who: Identify as LGBTQA+, understand what it’s like to be new at UNL, and can help incoming or first-year students find the campus resources and opportunities available to help them be successful. Mentors are available to answer questions and help students participate in a number of group and community events. 

Their primary responsibility is to assist new students with their social, and personal transition to UNL as a Queer student while providing academic and professional resources. Each mentor will be responsible for mentoring one group of students.

Group Structure: Each mentor-mentee group has 5-8 scholars, including one mentor. The groups meet for activities, attend events together and the mentor meets with each group member individually once a month. The LGBTQA Student mentors are tasked with representing and promoting the LGBTQA+ Resource Center’s mission and values both on and off campus. Mentor groups work together to help each other make a smooth transition from high school to college and to help students become integrated with the LGBTQA student body and UNL community.

Responsibilities

- Plan at least one on-campus event per month with mentee group and or mentoring program
- Meet with each mentee once a month for a one on one session.
- Check in with mentees weekly or bimonthly (and be available to mentees on an as needed basis)

Expectations

- Attend all staff meetings or any additional meetings with the Program Manager to provide updates
- Keep an open line of communication with the LGBTQA Resource Center Director, Program Manager and Staff members
- Abide by university policies and confidentiality rules

Qualifications

- Must be a second year or upper-class student in good academic standing (2.5 GPA min)
- Have excellent communication and leadership skills
- Be reliable and demonstrate follow through with all commitments

Desired Characteristics

- Warm, welcoming and non-judgmental personality
- Balanced social and academic performance
- Practices good time management and study habits
- Desires to make personal and professional connections with peers

Benefits

- Personal and professional development
- Contribute to the betterment of your peers, community and campus.

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1 Adapted from the W. H. Thompson Learning Community Mentor Application 2015-2016
LGBTQA+ PEER MENTOR PROGRAM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date:___________________________________________

Name:___________________________________________

Pronouns: (He/His)  (She/Her)  (They/Their) or _____________________ (Fill in the Blank)

Identity (Optional)
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Asexual, Straight, Pansexual
Fill in:____________________

Please check all that apply, demographics will be used to match mentors with mentees.

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Date of Birth: / / 

Age: ___________ years old

Email:___________________________________________

Facebook Name:___________________________________

Are you comfortable being added to our Facebook profile? YES  NO

Phone Number: _________________________________

Residence Hall: (If applicable)

Home Town:_____________________________________

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Major:___________________________________________

College:___________________________________________

Career Field:_____________________________________

PERSONALITY INFORMATION

CHECK ANY OF THE WORDS THAT YOU FEEL DESCRIBE YOUR PERSONALITY.

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DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS:
### ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

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<td>Video Games</td>
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Please check any of the boxes that apply to you.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Pizza:**
- **Candy:**
- **Pop:**
- **Sweet Snack:**
- **Salty Snack:**
- **Movie:**
- **Type of Music:**
- **Board Game:**
- **Color:**
- **Animal:**
- **Place to Study:**

I am hoping to get the following from my mentoring relationship:

- Career / Professional Development
- Time Management
- Friendship
- Campus Involvement
- Other ____________________

Please check any of the boxes that apply to you.
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APPLICATION QUESTIONS

PLEASE TYPE ANSWERS AND ATTACH TO APPLICATION ONCE COMPLETE.

SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. What unique qualities and interests do you possess that will make you a successful mentor?
2. What is most appealing to you about the opportunity to serve as an LGBTQA+ Peer mentor?
3. What are your strengths? Please provide examples or details for each strength.
4. List 3 areas that present challenges for you or, areas you need or want to improve on and why?
5. What is the number one thing people working with you should know?

FINAL STEPS

Please attach the following to your application:

- A current photo of yourself
- An updated copy of your Resume
- A copy of your class schedule for the spring semester

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION BY MARCH 14TH, 2016

- Submit a hard copy of your application to the LGBTQA Resource Center NU 346.
- Applications must be submitted by 2:00pm.