1. Board member of international students association so have to get involved with all international students on campus. I know their culture and values which are totally different from American values. I have talked to them and know how they feel when they arrive. I have been in their shoes. So, I can be somebody that they can look up to and feel comfortable seeking for help.
2. I am involved in campus activities board, global ambassadors which gave opportunity to get involved in many activities on campus and meet new people and learn their culture.
3. I know both international and American culture and I can help new students understand them and remove those differences and get together with each other. I see group of americans and group of internationals but not mostly together. I will do my best to change that.
4. This class is a great opportunity for the incoming students to learn new culture and get out of their comfort zone. I will make them feel weird but it will be worth it. Their mentality will change.

1.**Why are you a good candidate for peer leader?**

**🡪 If I am a peer leader I will be able to positively affect the college experience of students in my class. For instance, I am an international student and I am involved in lots of international organizations like international student association, global ambassadors, Nepalese student association and so on. Some of these organizations have members from both American and international communities. They organize various events throughout the semester which creates gives the members opportunities to learn about each other’s culture and have friends from around the world. However, lots of American students are not aware of these organizations and the events they conduct. So, I can inform my non-international students about such opportunities to get involved on campus and experience different culture.**

**Similarly, I am involved in other organizations like CAB which organizes events that international students often miss or feel hesitation to participate. I can inform these students about such events and organizations and encourage them to participate and get involved on campus so that their college experience can be great.**

**2. Why do you want to be a peer leader?**

**🡪 When I first came to the United States around two years ago, I felt so out of place and lonely because I had no friends or family, I was not familiar with the culture, my English wasn’t that good so people couldn’t understand what I said to them and I also had hard understanding them. It really messed me up but in my university 1001 class I met two peer leaders who were both internationals. They understood what I was feeling and consoled me that it is all normal and everything will work out eventually. They guide me throughout the semester, informed me about different events, encouraged me to get involved and talk to many people. I took their advice and my experience at the university started to become fun. Now that I am comfortable with my University I want to do the same thing for new students that my peer leaders did for me.**