

Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Graduate Teaching Assistant

Prevention and Wellness | Student Health Services

Position open until filled for 2019-2020

(.49 FTE = 255 hours/term)

General Description

The Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Prevention Unit seeks to empower graduate-level students with the skills to provide harm-reduction strategies in an effort to prevent alcohol and drug misuse in Oregon State University students. The AOD Prevention GTA is responsible for working with students both individually and in group formats to deliver educational interventions. OSU students participate in programming by self-referral, being mandated by Student Conduct/University Housing and Dining Services, through the diversion program offered by city and county judicial services/court, or as a participant in an outreach program. In addition, the AOD Prevention GTA will engage in program evaluation, research, and be an active part of the Prevention and Wellness Department at Student Health Services.

Responsibilities include:

- The primary responsibility of the AOD Prevention GTA will be to implement the IMPACT Alcohol and Cannabis group-based and individualized education sessions
- Maintain associated databases and correspond with students scheduled for sessions
- Complete paperwork for students by communicating with city and county judicial services/courts, OSU's Department of Residential Life, the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards, or other referral agents in collaboration with the AOD Prevention Specialist/Professional Faculty
- Engage in community education outreach and workshop implementation in partnership with various campus departments and community stakeholders
- Assist with scientific abstract development and submission for local and national conferences
- Assist with the interpretation of research data from campus-wide survey implementation
- Attend one community taskforce meeting per term
- Participate in weekly AOD Unit meetings
- Attend monthly PAW All-Staff meetings
- Perform literature reviews to assist with grant proposals
- Support Prevention and Wellness staff as needed

Dates of Service & Compensation:

This graduate assistantship is being awarded for the 2019-2020 academic year beginning September 2019; appointment will run through June 2020. This is a full-time graduate assistantship that requires 255 hours per term of service. Compensation includes tuition remission, health benefits and a monthly stipend.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree
- Accepted into an OSU graduate program
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

- Effective time-management skills
- Highly self-motivated and works well with a team
- High level of comfort presenting to groups as well as working in a one-to-one environment
- Ability to work afternoons and evenings on a regular schedule
- Ability to conduct research and work on program development
- Understanding the role of confidentiality and the importance of confidentiality within a health services environment
- Willingness to explore new AOD prevention initiatives
- Embraces the concept of and regularly practices self-care techniques

Preferred Qualifications:

- Demonstrated, relevant work experience as it relates to the minimum qualifications above

How to Apply:

Be prepared to submit the following:

1. A cover letter
2. A current resume/CV
3. Short answer to the following question:
 - a. The primary focus of this position is to implement alcohol and cannabis educational sessions to students on and off campus. What do you believe would be effective ways to disseminate this information to students in a meaningful and engaging format?
 - b. In past decades, Alcohol and Other Drug prevention took an abstinence approach. This is not the approach that we take within Prevention and Wellness, and we feel that that is a very important feature of our program. Please share your thoughts on the effectiveness of an abstinence approach, and why we might not use it. What would an alternative approach be?
4. Name and contact information for three references
5. [Submit your application here.](#)

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For full consideration, please apply by April 1st 2019.

Successful applicants must pass a criminal background check and review of student conduct records.

OSU is committed to a culture of civility, respect, and inclusivity. As an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer, OSU values diversity in our faculty and staff regardless of their self-identity; to that end, we particularly encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, individuals with disabilities, veterans, women, LGBTQ community members, and others who share our vision of an inclusive community.