2023 Peer Helper Application

## Please answer every question and type or print clearly. Applications must be submitted by email or in person to mitch.miyagawa@viu.ca by noon on Wednesday, February 1, 2023.

## Important Information:

## It is preferred that Peer Helpers have one year of experience as a student at VIU; however, one semester of experience is the minimum requirement. As a Peer Helper you must be available from February 2023 to January 2024 (with a break in the summer). The main volunteer responsibility of a Peer Helper is to be available to support the various ESL orientation and welcome events that take place two times per semester. The secondary responsibility is to support regular and special on-campus events throughout the year. Peer Helpers may also having opportunties for training and to take leadership in different projects and areas.

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| Applicant Information |
| **First Name:** |  | **Family Name:** |  |
| **Name used in Canada:**(if different from above) |  | **Student Number:** |  |
| **Phone Number:** |  | **Email Address:** |  |
| **Citizenship:** |  | **Language(s):**(other than English) |  |
| **Program you are currently enrolled in:**  |  | **Current Year of Study:** (or ESL Level) |  |
| **Have you been a Peer Helper in the past?** | Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |  |  |
| If yes, when did you last volunteer as a Peer Helper? |  |
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| Questionnaire |
| 1. **How did you hear about the Peer Helper program? If someone referred you to apply, please note their name here.**

1. **What are some qualities you would consider important for someone in a Peer Helper role?**
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| 1. **Why are you interested in becoming a Peer Helper?**
2. **What previous work, education, volunteer and/or life experience do you have that might help you support new international students at VIU?**
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| **Commitment** |
| Please confirm your commitment for the following:1. I am available for the full volunteer term (February 2023 - January 2024): Yes[ ]  No[ ]
2. I understand that Peer Helper training sessions may occur during weekday early evenings:

 Yes[ ]  No[ ] 1. I agree to contribute a minimum of 30 hours of volunteer service over the course of the 11 months. Yes[ ]  No[ ]
2. I agree to attend at least 2 student leadership and/or intercultural knowledge and awareness workshops over the course of the year. Yes[ ]  No[ ]
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| Name | Date | Signature |

Thank you for your interest in the Peer Helper Program. All candidates will be contacted by email by February 8, 2023. The first meeting and training will take place in mid-February.