

Peer Minister needed for the 2021-22 Academic Year

Journey House Campus Ministry is looking for a third Peer Minister, starting with the Fall 2021 semester.

What is Journey House?

Journey House Campus Ministry is an ecumenical Christian organization serving students at UW-River Falls and the River Falls campus of CVTC. We believe that God's love is unconditional. All students are welcome at our activities, events, and meetings regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sexuality, or gender. Because Journey House is here to serve the needs of students on campus and young adults in the surrounding communities, we like to collaborate with as many others as possible so that we can intentionally plan and integrate relevant ministry opportunities into each academic year.

What are the Requirements and Expectations for Peer Ministers?

Peer Ministers at Journey House must be currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate students at UW-River Falls or the River Falls campus of Chippewa Valley Technical College.

The qualities of a successful peer minister include the following:

- Has a desire to serve as leaders in a faith community
- Works well as a part of team and is a collaborative leader
- Is prepared to be challenged and grow in their faith
- Is willing to work with students from other faith communities as they grow in their faith
- Asks lots of questions about life, the universe, and God
- Has an open mind when it comes to new ideas
- Is comfortable meeting new people and hearing their stories
- Believes in hospitality and helping others feel welcome at events and activities, whoever they are, whatever they believe about God, and wherever they come from

Starting with the Fall 2021 semester it would ideal to have a Peer Minister who is either familiar with videography and/or graphic design or is planning on learning those skills as part of their academic program or because of their responsibilities at Journey House.

The position is non-stipendiary but comes with the option of subsidized housing in the Journey House building at 143 East Cascade Avenue. Living in the Journey House building is not required to serve as a Peer Minister, but if they choose to move in, they can live in the building year-round the whole time they are serving as peer ministers.

What responsibilities do Peer Ministers have?

Peer Ministers are first and foremost students, and those academic expectations take precedence when delegating tasks among the peer leaders. Typically, peer leaders are responsible for helping organize and/or lead Bible studies, lead worship, help cook meals and/or help clean up after meals, and coordinate small groups of student volunteers for large group events.

How do I become a Peer Minister?

To become a peer minister at Journey House, students start by filling out an application. If you would like an application or are interested in additional information, please contact Deacon David Behling, the Campus Ministry Director, at journeyhousecampusministry@gmail.com.