Overview: The Boston College Experience Challenge Program includes a consecutive series of two and three-week programs for rising high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to take specifically designed subject seminars for no credit and partake in a variety of co-curricular and social programs. The focus of the programs is to provide students a preview of the “college experience” and introduce them to possible college majors.

Position: The BCE Challenge Peer Advisor (multiple positions) serves as a mentor and facilitator for all components of this program. Open to Boston College undergraduate junior and seniors.

Compensation: BCE Challenge Resident Peer Advisors (PAs) be paid for approximately 30 hours per week and will also receive on-campus housing for the duration of the program and training (Six weeks from June 18, 2017 – July 30, 2017) and a meal plan.

Essential Functions: This is a live-in student leadership position, which reports directly to the BCE Challenge Resident Program Coordinators, and indirectly to the Program Director and will oversee students in two separate, consecutive resident high school programs. The PA supports the overall mission of the BCE Challenge program through contributing to the successful operation of the student residential experience and by facilitating an environment that contributes to the academic, social, cultural, and spiritual development of students. Peer advisors support Program coordinators in developing programs that introduce BCE Challenge students to various academic and administrative resources of Boston College. Peer advisors also design and facilitate the success of co-curricular activities, late night programs, and weekday/weekend trips meant to build group dynamics, foster interpersonal relationships, and develop personal identity. Peer advisors have direct responsibility for developing and maintaining positive on-going relationships with approximately 10 assigned high school students throughout their participation in the BCE Challenge program.

This year’s programs will begin on Sunday, June 25, 2017 and end on Saturday, July 28, 2017 (peer advisor staff orientation and training will be from June 18, 2017 – June 24, 2017.

Responsibilities:
- Participate in the weekly duty schedule, which will include one base night per week and weekend nights on a rotating schedule; duty lasts from 8pm - 7am
- Programming responsibilities will include but are not limited to social programs on each base night, as well as more elaborate programs on weekend duty nights (to be planned with the help of BCE Challenge Program Coordinators)
- Attend at least two weekend trips as chaperones for the BCE Challenge students
- Attend weekly seminars (tentatively scheduled for Thursday afternoons).
- Must be present in the residence hall at least four nights per week, which may include duty nights.
- Facilitate regular (at least one a week on Sunday evenings) guided discussions with assigned students in small groups – topics may include; the college search process, homesickness, potential academic and personal hardships in the program and in college, being your authentic self, aspects of social identity, and more
• Weekly one-on-one meetings with Program Coordinators and/or Director of Summer Session.
• Weekly one-on-one meetings with each BCE Challenge high school student from your small group.
• Develop and maintain meaningful and appropriate relationships with residents and student staff members through frequent intentional conversations and informal interactions.
• Serve as a role model for students and strictly adhere to all Boston College policies in the Boston College Student Code of Conduct (www.bc.edu/studentconduct) as well as all program policies as outlined in the BCE Staff Manual.
• Other duties as assigned.

Residency Requirements and Important Dates:
Peer advisors must maintain a presence on campus and in the residence hall throughout the duration of the programs. There will be several dates that you are required to be on campus including, but not limited to, the following:
• Sunday, June 18, 2017 – Peer advisors move in to Boston College residence hall for by 5pm.
• Monday, June 19, 2017 – Saturday, June 24, 2017 – BCE Challenge staff training.
• Sunday, June 25, 2017 – BCE Challenge Two Week Program Students move in and orientation (all day).
• Saturday, July 8, 2017 – BCE Challenge Two Week Program Students must move out by 12pm.
• Sunday July 9, 2017 – BCE Challenge Three Week Program Students move in and orientation (all day).
• Saturday, July 29, 2017 – BCE Challenge Three Week Program Students must move out by 12 pm.
• Sunday, July 30, 2017 (by 5pm) – BCE Challenge Three Week Program peer advisors moves out of residence hall.

Required Skills, Knowledge & Abilities:
Open to undergraduate students entering junior or senior year. Graduate students welcome. The successful candidate will have demonstrated ability and desire to work with a diverse student population and in a team environment. Candidates must be able to connect with and develop authentic mentoring relationships with high school age students (15-18 years). This position will require working well on a team, effective planning, organizing, and administrative details. Successful applicants will possess significant experience working with students in a leadership capacity.

Boston College students must be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the University and their academic department.