

Peer Supporter Role Description

What is a Peer Supporter?



A Peer Supporter is a volunteer available throughout the year to meet with students one-to-one as requested. You must be willing to listen confidentially and without judgement to any student who requests support. Having your own experience of significant difficulties in no way stops you from being a Peer Supporter, so long as you are currently in a safe and resilient place.

What is involved?

Peer Supporters have to be available for an intensive 35 hr in person training from 27th-31st May 2024



Once trained, Peer Supporters have to be available over email to take requests, and to arrange in-person meetups with students. They must also attend:

- Refresher training every term (approx. 3 hours)
- Monthly group supervisions with Student Counselling
- Regular debriefing with S2S staff



Alongside one-to-one meet-ups, Peer Supporters may also be requested to:

- Provide emergency accompaniment to students referred to A&E
- Participate in programme strategy meetings
- Participate in service promotion activities

What do you get?

You will receive:



- Extensive training in support work, active listening, challenging personal values, exploration skills, referral, managing significant distress and self-care
- Substantial student and staff support frameworks
- The opportunity to do something really positive and rewarding
- Guaranteed references based on involvement
- Strong social network within S2S Society

What is expected?

You will be expected to



- Attend a full week of in-person training (27th-31st May inclusive)
- Undergo Garda Vetting
- Be available to take casework as of September 2024
- To regularly check and respond to your TCD emails
- Attend regular debrief sessions with S2S staff

N.B. Training places are limited and will be subject to selection based on application forms and interviews