



## Become a Volunteer Facilitator in the English Conversation Program!

**Position objective:** Student volunteers **meet international participants** to engage in language and cultural learning through English conversation in an upbeat, small group environment. <u>Apply here by March 7, 2021.</u>

**Expected time commitment:** One term, 8-11 weekly meetings (online or in person), 1.5 hours each.

Options: Spring program: May – June, 2021, or Fall program: September – November, 2021.

The English Conversation Program at QUIC supports diverse groups of Queen's University **international students** in their communicative competencies by providing opportunities to speak English in a safe environment, leading towards mutual learning and feeling of greater comfort with the English language.

## Volunteer responsibilities:

- 1. Support learners in their language acquisition
- 2. Build a respectful, trusting and inclusive rapport with sessions' attendees
- 3. Attend program orientation, training sessions and program meetings
- 4. Engage in planning of activities, contribute content ideas
- 5. Contribute to the team, work effectively with peers and supervisor
- 6. Participate in program feedback and surveys
- 7. Contribute to promotional materials, such as profiles, testimonials, videos

## **Qualifications:**

- Students currently enrolled at Queen's University
- Fluent in English with clear speech and strong communication skills
- Able to engage and encourage others while facilitating conversations
- Curious, open-minded and with appreciation of diversity and respect towards cultural differences
- Passion for intercultural learning and a desire to develop own intercultural competence
- Able to understand some of the challenges faced by international students experiencing a new environment & culture

## **Benefits:**

- Develop transferable skills such as proactive inclusive communication, active non-judgmental listening, feedback and encouragement, facilitation of learning
- Enhance own intercultural competency
- Gain understanding of language relating to specific contexts
- Opportunity to meet people from different places of the world and develop international connections
- Positively contribute to Queen's community by aiding the international student transition experience

This is a joint recruitment drive in collaboration with peer programs in Queen's Student Affairs.

For more information click here.

Questions? Email QUIC@queensu.ca. Thank you!