

PWR UNDERGRADUATE ADVISORY BOARD

2008-2009 Application

Overview:

The PWR Undergraduate Advisory Board is seeking new members for the 2008-2009 academic year.

The UAB has also contributed in important ways to changing how students experience PWR. Its members have facilitated the following:

- Campaigned for a PWR Open House, which now takes place before Winter and Spring quarter in Wallenberg Hall. At this event, students can meet prospective instructors and find out more about which course they might want to take. UAB members serve as Ambassadors at the Open House, telling students about which courses to check out.
- Suggested a new design for the section descriptions posted online so they are easier to review. Now descriptions list readings and assignments separately. Each description is linked to the instructor's online profile.
- Reviewed PWR section descriptions every quarter to see how they might better appeal to students.
- Conducted a survey of CWP (the Community Writing Project) and consulted on the PWR Self-Study project by giving advice about survey questions. Members helped design the focus groups and helped with advertising.
- Led the initiative to train WIM tutors in the Writing Center.
- Shared their wisdom about the pacing and assignment sequence with instructors at PWR Orientations. Their suggestions were key to changes made to PWR 2, helping the Program standardize the workload and assignments in the PWR second-year course.
- Attended PWR program meetings to tell instructors what the "word on the street" is regarding how students feel about certain assignments and changes in the Program.
- Inspired IHUM and Creative Writing to start Undergraduate Boards.

Instructions & Timeline:

Please submit your completed application to Kate Powell (kipowell@stanford.edu) by Thursday May 15, 2008 at 11:59 PM with "PWR UAB Application" in the subject line. We will not be able to review late applications. After the deadline has passed members of the UAB and faculty will review each application in order to reach a decision.

I: BASIC INFORMATION

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Class Year: _____ Major(s): _____

Please list any other activities that you are involved in:

Are you going abroad in 2007-2008? (Yes/No) _____

If yes, please indicate which quarter and where you will be going.

II: SHORT ESSAY

In 200 words or less please describe why you are interested in joining the PWR Undergraduate Advisory Board. In your answer feel free to discuss any ideas you may have for improving PWR and any experience that you can bring to the board.