

# LEARNING FROM PEER LEADERS: WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT TEAM?

## INCREASE KNOWLEDGE FOR GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

Peer tutoring often involves working through material relevant for graduate and professional school entrance exams such as the **GMAT, GRE, NCLEX, MCAT, or LSAT**.



*“If you can teach a subject, you definitely understand the material to a new level.”*

To teach a subject to someone else, you need to break it down into smaller, easier to understand chunks which gives you a **greater mastery of the material**.

*“I believe that my employment with Academic Support has made me a competitive applicant for medical school. Not many applicants have this sort of work experience, and I think that the **social skills** involved and **professional competencies** required to be a Supplemental Instruction Leader make me an applicant that will **stand out** when I apply for medical school.”*

## IMPROVE COMMUNICATION ABILITIES AND CONFIDENCE

Supplemental instruction leaders and peer tutors report significant gains in their communication skills through their time working with Academic Support. Communication skills are among the **top criteria** potential employers seek in candidates.

Cultivating Confidence By:

- ❖ Serving as facilitator in group discussions
- ❖ Developing formal written communication skills in conversations with professors, student leadership, and professional staff
- ❖ Clarify and communicate ideas to students with a variety of backgrounds and learning styles



*“Whether it is simply helping with pronouncing different biology jargon or going through notes to help students translate properly, it's been great to be exposed to different cultures/ideas/ways of life.”*

*“Every session I hosted included a number of different types of students. There were international and domestic students, pre-health and pre-business majors, and all kinds of other dichotomies of student groups. I learned how to effectively communicate with all kinds of different groups.”*

*“I believe it has helped my communication skills immensely because every tutoring session is someone new. You have to take lead on conversation and communication for an hour or more!”*

## FORM FRIENDSHIPS AND HAVE FUN WITH THE REST OF THE TEAM

When asked about their favorite memory ...

*"I cherish every time that a student has come up to me in the session or just around campus and thanked me for helping them pass."*

*"The friends I made - we started as co-workers and have become really good friends."*

*"There is an atmosphere of support that is so impactful. I have grown so much from the professional relationships I have built in this office! We get so much work done, but we have so much fun doing it!"*

*"My freshmen year at Auburn, I religiously attended chemistry SI sessions. **I remember thinking that the SI leader was the coolest human being ever.** She was so **nice** and **personable** and **helpful**. She even got into medical school during the semester that I was attending her sessions and I was so excited for her. Then flash forward, **I am that SI leader** helping other chemistry students. It is cool to think about how times have changed and to consider that I am now that person applying to medical schools. **It is cool to see how things come full circle and how much Supplemental Instruction has played an important role during my time at Auburn.**"*

## JOIN OUR TEAM

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Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. After submission, the standardized identity-hidden job applications are reviewed, and qualified applicants may be invited to participate in a group interview on a rolling basis.

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