Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Violence Prevention Educator (VPE) Program at North Dakota State University. VPEs are NDSU students who are highly trained in issues of sexual and relationship violence. These students develop and implement educational efforts on the NDSU campus, including:

- We Take a Stand mandatory training
- Classroom presentations
- Interactive workshops for Greek chapters, athletic teams, residence halls, and student organizations
- Campus-wide social media campaigns
- Take Back the Night and Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Please read this cover letter completely before you proceed with the application. If you decide to continue with the written application, please detach the letter and keep it for future reference. Your completed application may be e-mailed to kelsey.a.keimig.1@ndsu.edu or dropped off at The Office of Student Life (Memorial Union 250). This application is due no later than 5:00 pm March 22, 2017.

Because of the amount of time that is needed to train each educator, we ask that you be able to commit to at least one academic year to the program. You will be required to attend one mandatory meeting each week. Each meeting will last approximately one hour. The date and time of the meeting will be selected based on the availability of selected VPEs.

The application process consists of three steps:
2. If your written application is selected, you will be asked to participate in both a panel interview (March 30th or 31st) and a group process interview (Tuesday, April 11th at 6pm).
3. A final one-on-one meeting with the Assistant Director of Sexual Assault Prevention & Advocacy will be scheduled at your convenience by April 28th at 5:00 pm.

If you are ultimately selected as a new VPE, you will be required to attend four days of training prior to the 2017 fall semester. The training will take place over Thursday August 10th, Friday August 11th, and Thursday August 17th and Friday August 18th. You must attend the entire training, no exceptions will be made.

Again, thank you for your interest in NDSU’s Violence Prevention Educator Program. If you have further questions, please contact Kelsey Keimig at 701-231-5733.

** Some materials in this application were borrowed, with permission, from Central Michigan University's Sexual Aggression Services.**
Confidentiality: The members of the selection committee will be the only ones with access to the information you provide on this application and all information will be held in the strictest confidence. No information you provide will be accessible to current students in the VPE program. The selection committee consists of one representative from each of the following departments: Sexual Assault Prevention & Advocacy, University Police, and Student Rights and Responsibilities. If you have any questions or concerns regarding confidentiality please contact Kelsey Keimig directly at 701-231-5733.

I. PERSONAL DATA
1. Name: ______________________________________________
2. Local Address:________________________________________
3. Home Address:________________________________________
4. Cell Phone Number:____________________________________
5. E-mail Address:________________________________________
6. How often do you check your e-mail:_______________________

II. EDUCATION
9. Current semester in school (circle one): Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior
10. Semester and year you expect to graduate: __________________________
11. Current cumulative GPA: __________
12. Major: ________________________  Minor: ________________________
III. PERSONAL INFORMATION

13. Please provide three personal references:
(Please do not include relatives, and please include one employer or educator)

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14. Please rate yourself from 1 – 10 (1 is low, 10 is high) in each area listed below:

Self-esteem:__________   Assertiveness:__________

Verbal communication skills:__________   Stress management:__________

Organization skills:__________

Comfort level with the topics of sexual assault and relationship violence:__________

15. List other time commitments and organization you presently have in addition to your academics (i.e work, group meetings, volunteer activities):
IV. CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

As a reminder, members of the VPE selection committee only will review information you provide on this application in confidence.

**PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWERS TO THE NEXT 13 QUESTIONS AND ATTACH IT TO YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION**

1. Please indicate reasons you want to serve as a VPE.

2. Indicate what you hope to contribute and gain by serving as a VPE.

3. Detail your personal weaknesses and how they might affect your role as a VPE.

4. Which (if any) of the following have you experienced (circle all that apply)? If none, please go directly to question 6.
   Sexual Assault, Molestation, Victim of a Crime, Domestic Violence, Stalking, Victim of a Traumatic Situation, Coerced to Have Sex against Your Wishes

5. If you experienced any of the situations listed in question #4, please describe how you dealt with your experience(s). How do you feel this might help and/or interfere with your role as a VPE?

6. Do you know anyone who has been sexually assaulted? If yes, how did that experience affect you?

7. What are your feelings towards attending professional counseling sessions, for yourself and others?

8. How would you handle a situation where a participant in a VPE workshop becomes argumentative?

9. Describe how you develop and maintain friendships and/or support systems?

10. How do you define diversity and what role does it play in your life?

11. Describe a moral/ethical conflict you have experienced and how did you resolve it?

12. Describe how you manage stressful situations?

13. Indicate any concerns or questions you have about serving as a VPE.