

First Generation College Student Mentor Program Becoming A Mentor

The Career Planning & Placement Center is offering a mentor program for first generation college students at USC. This program will provide "real world" exposure to the working world through a mentorship that focuses on professional and career development. Students will be paired with USC alumni who are also first generation college students.

How You Can Help

Alumni will give back to USC and the University's first generation college student population. By helping USC first generation college students develop career awareness, identify their career goals and understanding how to take that information and apply it to reach those goals you will assist students in preparing for the transition from college to the workforce.

What You Will Do

The program requires a commitment of one school year. Mentors and mentees are expected to meet once per month for a professional activity. Suggested professional activities are reviewing resumes, drafting cover letters, practicing interview skills, a company tour and lunch or dinner. The CPPC will hold 2-3 events per semester that all mentees and mentors are required to attend. These events will focus on career development and allow an opportunity for all program participants to network and interact as a group. Mentees are expected to serve as mentors once graduated.

Who Becomes a Mentor

Alumni will be selected through an application process. Alumni will be required to provide a completed application. Applications must be completed and returned to Lissa Williams in the Internship Programs Office by **5:00pm on September 25, 2009**. Candidates will be notified via e-mail by October 2, 2009 if they have been selected as a Mentor.

Questions?

**Call the Career Planning & Placement Center
at (213) 740-9654 or e-mail intrns@usc.edu**

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Application to Become a Mentor

Are you the first in your family to attend college? Yes No

Contact Information

Name _____

Organization _____

Title _____ Full-Time or Part-Time

E-mail _____ Phone () _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please provide a brief description of your organization:

Your Academic Profile

USC Graduation Date _____ Degree (list all) _____

Major _____ School _____

Additional Professional Certificates _____

Were you a transfer student? Yes No

Why are you interested in becoming a mentor?

How much time can you commit to your mentee and this program?

What do you hope to gain from becoming an mentor?

Deadline to submit application: September 25, 2009

Please complete this form and fax it to (213) 740-9755 or e-mail the attachment to:
Llisa Williams, llisawil@usc.edu. Mentees are being selected through a similar application process.