Mentor and Mentee Agreement

Read carefully & complete as a pair. Each pair has 2 copies: one for each of you to keep as a reminder of your commitment to each other. Your Group LT will collect & copy one for our records & will return to you later.

We are voluntarily entering into a mentoring relationship from which we both expect to benefit. We want this experience to be rich and rewarding with our time together spent in social, academic and professional activities. We understand that building this relationship will require us to make time for each other and to keep our promises. We agree to focus on our mutual needs and to abide by the features below for our relationship.

1) Responsibilities of both Mentee/Mentor
   • Be considerate/respectful of each other; be open to learning/sharing of different backgrounds/cultures.
   • Contact each other regularly and return phone calls/emails/texts.
   • Schedule future meeting times and follow through on agreements (or contact each other to reschedule).
   • Contact your Mentee/Mentor in advance if you are not able to attend a M&M monthly meeting (even if your Mentee/Mentor is excused from a meeting – you are still expected to attend).
   • Give the relationship a chance, even if some problems arise.
   • Be willing to share and open to learning and to honest feedback.
   • Keep confidential the things you share.

2) Roles of the Mentor
   • Offer advice free of personal bias and prejudice.
   • Encourage your Mentee to come to solutions on her own (with your guidance).
   • If needed, refer to the Common Dialog document for topics to discuss. Some examples:
     o Give tips for doing well academically (e.g. how to study or approach TAs)
     o Share what you do for coping in times of stress
   • Refer to appropriate resources when you are not sure of an answer.

3) Roles of the Mentee
   • If needed, refer to the Common Dialog document for topics to discuss. Some examples:
     o What do you need to know about Purdue?
     o What challenges are you facing?
   • Work at getting to know yourself and your needs and be willing to share with your Mentor.
   • Be willing to ask for and receive advice.

4) Contacting your Mentee/Mentor outside M&M meetings/socials
   The suggested time is at least once per week and can include email/phone/Facebook contact or in-person meetings. It all depends on what you both want from the relationship.
   • Discuss together how often you want to meet/catch up and note here as a reminder:
     ________________________________________________________________
   • Discuss together what kind of activities you will do to meet/catch up and note here:
     ________________________________________________________________
   • Schedule your first contact outside of M&M meetings/socials and note here as a reminder:
     ________________________________________________________________

5) Discuss how you will handle any problems that may surface within your Pair. Open communication is key and you have your LT Group Leader for advice and support. Please write your plan of action below:
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6) Other expectations that you have as a pair for this mentoring relationship?
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Mentor signature (& also print last name)  Mentee signature (& also print last name)
GETTING TO KNOW YOUR MENTOR/MENTEE

30 Great Activities!!

1. Show your Mentee the clapping circle outside of the Union.
2. Take a walk to Purdue West. Point shops and the bookstore. Explain book buy-backs and University vs. Follett’s vs. online book vendors.
3. Paint your own pottery at All Fired Up on the Landing and then have dessert at Scotty’s!
4. Take advantage of Purdue’s open grassy fields and try out some ultimate Frisbee or disc golf (Slayter Hill)!
5. Go take a study break at the Greyhouse Coffee or grab a Den Pop (Chauncey Hill Mall).
6. Take a walk to the Co-Rec and show them around the building. Join an intramural sports team together!
7. Fountain run! (Don’t forget the Beering Fountain as well)
8. Explore the Purdue Memorial Union: the Oasis has wonderful bread-bowl soups and Starbucks is a great way to stay warm spring semester!
9. Take a walking tour of campus and become familiar with all the buildings and landmarks (there’s more to Purdue than just fountains).
10. Discuss how to become active in the great clubs and societies of Purdue: service groups, dancing clubs, societies within your major, photography club, ski club…the list is endless! Attend a club callout together.
11. Shoot some pool, go bowling, or compare dancing skills with DDR in the Union’s basement.
12. Show her that Triple XXX is really a family establishment!
13. Get together with other Mentors and Mentees. Go for ice cream at Red Mango or just hang out and watch a movie.
14. Go to the free PSUB sponsored movies at Fowler theater in the Stewart Center
15. Join the Society of Women Engineers and go to the monthly meetings and activities together.
16. Check out the Crazy Monkeys Improv comedy shows.
17. Check out a Purdue Convocation event like Shrek.
18. Become familiar with the Citybus system before the rain and snow starts. Take the bus to the mall – a great way to see the different sides of Lafayette.
19. Introduce your Mentee to Purdue’s library system. Show them the secret places to study on campus (HSSE Stacks for example).
20. Go ice skating down on the Wabash Landing rink.
21. Go to Discount Den for a cheap soda, rent a video at Vons, and microwave some popcorn.
22. Explore Lafayette and Tippecanoe: go shopping downtown or at the mall; check out the good food downtown; loan some free videos from the West Lafayette or Tippecanoe library; visit Columbia Park on a nice day and don’t forget the zoo; take a trip to Lafayette’s art museum.
23. Check out Howl Night at Wolf Park right around the corner in Battleground, Indiana (www.wolfpark.org).
24. Go out for Sunday dinner; check out the unlimited free breadsticks at Fazoli’s or get something to go and have a picnic.
25. Share your most embarrassing experiences with your Mentor/Mentee. Laughing together is a great way to become friends. And maybe she has slipped on the same patch of ice as you have (don’t forget to warn your Mentee about Purdue sidewalks in the wintertime).
26. Put on all your black and gold gear and go to a Purdue sports event!
27. Take a walk around Purdue’s beautiful horticulture gardens.
28. Go to the movies on Slayter Hill that PSUB hosts.
29. Join a Group X or Learn to Play class together at the Co-Rec.
30. Hangout near the Levee (it’s the perfect place to grab a bite to eat or just people watch). Plus you can walk on the pedestrian bridge.

M&M PAIR PROGRAM REMINDER: Check-in with your Mentor/Mentee at least once a week, encourage questions, provide support and have fun!