COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

ALUMNI-STUDENT CAREER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM





TO BE SCHEDULED AT A MUTUALLY AGREED TIME

.

• One-time, one-hour meeting

 Share insights, tips, and advice on a range of topics from career research and exploration to job search strategies

SIGN UP VIA OUR PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM:

https://bit.ly/CSSWMentor

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ALUMNI-STUDENT CAREER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW

On behalf of the Office of Alumni Relations and Office of Career and Leadership Management, thank you for your interest in serving as a volunteer mentor for our Alumni-Student Career Mentorship Program.

Once you complete our <u>registration form</u>, your background information will be added to our mentor directory, which will be shared widely with students. Note that, to facilitate self-directed learning and exploration, we do not match students with alumni. Instead, we allow students to select who they want to meet based on their career interests and goals and the information provided within the directory.

If we receive a request from a student to meet with you, we will send you and the student an introductory email. From there, students will be expected follow up with you directly, including arranging the date, time, and Zoom logistics for the mentoring session. We ask that you meet for one hour with each student. Though we hope that some of these connections grow naturally, it is not a requirement for you and the student to continue meeting beyond this one-hour commitment.

As you will see on our registration form, you can select the number of students that you would like to meet with each month. Once you have reached your maximum number of students in any given month, you will be taken off the list of available mentors until the first of the following month when the count resets. If you continue to meet with a student, that will not change your monthly maximum limit unless you let us know. We understand that personal and professional situations are constantly changing and appreciate you being in touch about any changes to your availability.

A point of note – though our hope is that all mentors will meet with at least one student, because of the way the program is designed, we cannot guarantee that this will happen. If you would like, feel free to indicate your interest in any of the additional engagement opportunities listed on the registration form for future consideration.

As an alum, you are an invaluable resource to our community, and we are deeply grateful for your support and willingness to help students with their developing careers. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the program in further depth, please don't hesitate to reach out to Jennifer March, Associate Director of Alumni Relations, at jennifer.march@columbia.edu or 212-851-2372. Thank you again for your investment in our students.