



# Western University

OF HEALTH SCIENCES

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## Alumni Mentor Program

**WesternU**  
**Alumni Mentor Program (AMP)**

**Overview:**

The WesternU Alumni Student Mentor program provides an opportunity for current students and alumni to network in a mutually rewarding relationship that is based on career and professional goals.

Through this program alumni will be able to provide guidance to current students by sharing their career and WesternU experiences. As an alumni mentor, you will have the opportunity to advise student(s) on career advice and professional development for the academic semester (January 2021 – May 2021). Throughout this time period we encourage mentors and mentees to connect at least once a month via phone, virtual meeting, or through email. Mentors and Mentees are welcome to connect more than once a month if they wish.

Current students and alumni do not have to be near campus to participate. Whether you are in Pomona, CA or in New York, NY, your time is valued!

**Program Goals:**

1. Increase engagement between WesternU Alumni and current students
2. Provide a valuable experience for alumni and students
3. Engage colleges and campus partners to support students and alumni

**Program Audience:**

This program is open to all current WesternU students and alumni.

**Program Match Criteria:**

WesternU students and alumni will be matched based on career interests, residencies, or specialties.

**WesternU Alumni Mentor Overview:**

This program is for alumni who are

- Willing to share their career experience and expertise
- Give back time & talent to WesternU students.
- Expand your leadership and mentoring skills
- Add to your resume or CV
- Make an impact to your alma mater, and to aspiring health professionals

**WesternU Mentee Overview:**

This program is for current students who:

- Want to connect with WesternU Alumni about career / real word experiences
- Are ready to learn about the various career pathways

- Would like to expand leadership, management skills, and professional communication
- Are interested in developing new networking and collaboration opportunities

**Program Expectations:**

**Mentor Expectations:**

- Work with mentee to develop a meeting schedule
- Communicate with mentees at least once a month from January 2021 – May 2021
- Be willing to share career/real world experiences
- Help mentees reach their goals for the Student Alumni Mentor Program

**Mentee Expectations:**

- Work with mentor to develop a meeting schedule
- Communicate with mentors at least once a month from January 2021 – May 2021
- Be willing to share current WesternU experience and goals for Student Alumni Mentor Program
- Open to feedback and suggestions

**Mentorship Program Timeline:**

January 31, 2021	Mentor & Mentee Applications due
February 12, 2021	Match Notifications Kickoff Check-in
February 15, 2021	Mentorship Program Begins
February 19, 2021	Match & Mingle Virtual Event
February 28, 2021	Alumni Office Check in
Middle of March 2021	Mid-Point Check In
April 2021	Mid-Point Check In
May 2021	Final Check In
May 2021	Mentorship Program End Year Celebration
End of May 2021	Program Assessment

## Frequently Asked Questions:

- **How am I notified of my match?**
  - All matches will be notified via email the week of February 19, 2021. The email and phone number listed in your application will be shared with your Mentor/Mentee match along with other application information such as goals for the program, career interests, and specialties.
  
- **How should I communicate with my mentor/ mentee? How often?**
  - The mode of communication is up to you and your Mentor/Mentee. The initial introduction between pairs will be made via the email you have provided. The Office of Alumni Relations recommends you communicate with your Mentor/Mentee at least twice a month (biweekly). However, you are more than welcome to communicate more if you both decide to!
  
- **How am I matched with my mentee/ mentor?**
  - The information you placed in your application is used to help make the best possible match! We appreciate the information you have shared within your application. Upon matching, the following will be taken into consideration:
    - College/Degree
    - Career Interests
    - Specialties
    - Residencies (if applicable)
    - Hobbies
  
- **What personal information is shared?**
  - Only the email and phone number listed on your application will be shared with your mentor/mentee in the initial introduction email.
  
- **Can I switch my mentor /mentee?**
  - The Office of Alumni Relations cares about your experience in the WesternU Alumni Mentor Program. Under Title IX of the Education Code as amended in 1972, if at any point you feel any discomfort toward any regard, please contact Antonio Valero, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, via email [avalero@westernu.edu](mailto:avalero@westernu.edu) or Susan Terrazas, Senior Director of Alumni Relations, via email [sterrazas@westernu.edu](mailto:sterrazas@westernu.edu).