



COM Mentors: Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose of a mentorship program?

- The COM Mentors program pairs student mentees with alumni mentors to help build connections, assist professional development, and for advice to be shared and received.

I don't live in Boston, can I still participate?

-Yes, the program is virtual. Mentee's and mentors do have the choice to meet in person if they would like, but it is not the expectation.

What do student participants get out of this program?

- Personal and professional development advice and insights
- Support to explore career goals
- Better understanding of life after BU
- Connection to established professionals
- Confidence
- Identity consciousness

What do alumni participants get out of this program?

- Leadership experience
- Community
- Exposure to new worldviews and trends
- Connection to budding professionals
- Engagement with BU

Will my mentor give me a job?

-Mentor relationships are non-transactional. No one is expected to request, offer, or receive any opportunity such as a job or internship offer, directly as a part of this program. There may be times when mentor/mentee relationships naturally and organically result in intersecting career paths, but that scenario is the exception rather than the norm.

What will we talk about?

-COM Mentors is structured around a series of milestones specific to different levels of student experiences. These milestones are provided to program participants complete with recommended questions and talking points.

What if my mentee/mentor ghosts me?

-This shouldn't happen. The first step of the program requires participants to meet and complete a mentorship agreement together that outlines expectations, communication, and responsibilities. In the event that something happens, please contact the program manager (Heather at HFink@bu.edu) as soon as possible.

Can I participate more than once with different mentors/mentees?

-Alumni can participate more than once. Students can only participate once.