

Being a Mentor FAQs

What does the process look like?

Both mentors and mentees complete a survey about themselves and their backgrounds. Then, Mentor Collective matches mentees with mentors based on similar shared experiences and what the mentee has indicated is important to them in a mentor. Once you are matched with a mentee, you will both decide how you want to connect, which can happen via email, phone, video chat, text, or in-person.

How long do the mentorships last? Technically, one academic year, however we encourage you to remain in contact beyond this if you develop a strong relationship with your mentee. See more about opting out below.

What if I don't have a lot of time to dedicate to mentoring? You tell us how much time you have to meet with your mentees: once per month, twice per month, once per week, etc. You can also choose the number of students you support! We want to make sure you have the agency to determine your involvement while still allowing you to develop the leadership skills necessary for your growth.

What if I only want to participate for one semester? That's fine! You always have the option to adjust your involvement.

What if I don't want to receive any emails or updates from the program? No problem! You can click 'unsubscribe' at the bottom of our emails, or reply to our texts with STOP to unsubscribe.

What do I get out of the program? Aside from developing leadership skills, you'll receive a LinkedIn trained mentor certification that you can also add to your resume. You'll be a part of a community of mentors in programs across the country, have access to Mentor Office Hours where you can ask questions and share ideas with other mentors, and you'll have the opportunity to attend exclusive mentorship events.

What if I am graduating in the fall? You can still mentor for the full academic year, even if you are graduating! If you do want to stop your mentorships upon graduation, reach out to help@mentorcollective.org and let us know.

What if I can't answer a question that my mentee asks me? We provide discussion guides for a variety of topics to help you out. If you still get stuck, you can either submit an insight flag as part of your conversation report (we will follow up) or email Mentor Collective directly at help@mentorcollective.org.

If you need more information, check out the Mentor Experience [here](#).