TRiO Alumni Mentor Program
Mentor Application

Medaille College’s TRiO Student Support Services Program and the Alumni Association are excited to invite you to participate in our Alumni Mentor Program (AMP). The aim is to foster an exchange of career-related ideas, expertise, and friendship by pairing alumni with current TRiO undergraduate students in order to help them make the most of their college experience, navigate their career decisions, and make professional connections in their field of interest. Mentors and mentees will be matched on a range of criteria, including shared academic interests and experiences, career fields, and similar activities or groups.

Benefits for the Mentor

- Support the professional development of future leaders
- Develop a reputation for grooming new talent
- Enhance coaching and leadership skills
- Provide a fresh perspective on your own performance
- Become a part of an expanded professional network
- Support Medaille College by increasing the likelihood that students will graduate

Mentors are expected to give a firm commitment to AMP for a full academic year, but for many, the relationships continue beyond that, if desired. Mentors should plan to meet in person with a minimum of one mentee at least once a semester, for at least an hour. The mentors and their mentees will also communicate by phone or email on their own times. TRiO will also be planning special mentoring receptions to offer an intentional opportunity for additional networking possibilities. Sometimes, mentors have also chosen to host mentees for a job-shadowing day, so that the student has a chance to gain an insider’s perspective on a particular career.

So, ask yourself:

- Are you interested in helping shape the future of students following in your footsteps?
- Are you willing to invest time, energy and effort in a mentoring partnership?
- Are you willing to listen, ask questions, and give constructive feedback?
- Are you willing to share what you’ve learned from your failures as well as your successes?
- Are you willing to keep the conversations with your mentee confidential?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, we need you!

If you are interested in participating in the TRiO Alumni Mentor Program, please complete the enclosed application and return in the enclosed envelope or email to tlh57@medaille.edu.
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Personal Information

First Name ________________________  Last Name ________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

City ______________________ State _________ Zip Code ________________

Home Phone _____________  Cell Phone _____________  Work Phone _____________

E-mail ______________________________________________________________________

Preferred method of communication (all that apply):  ☐ E-mail  ☐ Home Phone
           ☐ Cell Phone  ☐ Work Phone

Ethnic background (all that apply):  ☐ Asian  ☐ Black/African American (non-Hispanic)
           ☐ Hispanic or Latino/a  ☐ Native American or Alaskan Native
           ☐ White (non-Hispanic)  ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
           ☐ More than one race  ☐ Other

Degree Information

What degree did you earn from Medaille College? ________________________________

What year did you graduate from Medaille College? ______________________________

Have you earned any other degrees?  ☐ AS  ☐ BA  ☐ BS  ☐ MA  ☐ MS  ☐ PhD  ☐ JD

Field/Major ________________________  Year earned ______________________

Institution _________________________
Professional Information

CURRENT EMPLOYER

Job Title

Number of years at job

Address

City State Zip Code

Brief job description

Mentor Information

What types of guidance are you willing to provide as a mentor?

☐ Graduate Degree Exploration  ☐ Career Exploration  ☐ Networking

☐ Job Search Strategies  ☐ Job Visits/Tours  ☐ Skill Building

☐ Mock Interviews  ☐ Resume/Cover Letter Writing

What other types of guidance can you provide?

How many students are you comfortable mentoring?

How much time are you willing to commit to AMP?

☐ Ongoing  ☐ 1 hr/semester  ☐ 1 hr/month  ☐ 1hr or more/month

List any organizations you are affiliated with and any leadership positions currently held.
What are you looking for in a mentee?
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What are some of your hobbies or interests? ________________________________
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What is your favorite:
   TV show? ________________________________
   movie? ________________________________
   book? ________________________________
   Song? ________________________________
   Food? ________________________________
   City? ________________________________
   Time of day? ____________________________

Information provided on this form will be available only to TRiO students and administration for purposes of this program.