21st Century Scholars Success Program
2019-2020 Peer Mentor Application

Description
The 21st Century Scholars Success Program is searching for dedicated and enthusiastic undergraduate students to be a part of the 21st Century Scholars Team! Each mentor will work closely with approximately 15 first year students by acting as a role model and mentoring them throughout their first year. Mentors will receive a $1,000 scholarship each semester they serve as a mentor, $2,000 per academic year.

Objectives
- To assist scholars in achieving academic success, preparing for the workforce, and engaging with the IUPUI Community.
- To acquaint 21st Century Scholars with IUPUI—its structure, services, and resources.
- To support scholar transition to college both academically and socially.
- To promote scholar attendance at co-curricular academic, social, and cultural events.

Required Qualifications
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA.
- Attended IUPUI for at least two (2) full semesters.
- Ability to work well in team settings and embrace the diversity of all students and staff at IUPUI.
- Must attend biweekly training sessions on Friday afternoons.
- Ability to speak comfortably in public and possess creative presentation skills.
- General knowledge of campus resources, and university policies and procedures.
- Skill in problem solving and communication (verbal and written).
- Ability to work independently while demonstrating strong leadership and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to listen actively and ask questions as needed to determine the needs of students.
- Ability to maintain a positive attitude while interacting with staff and students.
- Ability to utilize Canvas including grading student attendance and messaging students.
- Ability to understand barriers that first-generation and or low-income students face while in college.
- Students do not need to be 21st Century Scholars to apply.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities
- Support the goals, expectations, and mission of 21st Century Scholars Success Program.
- Meet with each mentee individually throughout the semester.
- Facilitate workshops over an academic or personal development topic in weekly group sessions.
- Maintain office hours throughout the academic school year.
- Refer students to on and off-campus resources when appropriate.
- Meet individually with staff to discuss semester progress.
- Attend training sessions and biweekly staff meetings. Students should not have any time commitments Friday afternoons.
- Students that become mentors will be required take a 1-credit hour mentoring class each semester they are a peer mentor.
- Attend mentor training on August 23rd.
Application Submission

- Submit the application below by March 1st, 2019.
- Answer the following questions on separate sheet of paper (typed/double spaced) and attach them to the application.
- Highly encouraged to attend one Peer Mentor Position Interest Session (dates below) located in Taylor Hall Lower Level. Should not last more than 1 hour. A video option will also be available for those who cannot attend a session listed below.
  - Session 1: Tuesday, February 5th @ 10:00am
  - Session 2: Thursday, February 7th @ 2:00pm
  - Session 3: Monday, February 18th @ 1:30pm
- Attach a current photo.
- Provide two (2) letters of recommendation in support of your application.
  - At least one (1) of the letters should be from IUPUI faculty, staff or administrators.
  - Start asking for your letter now. Don’t wait until the last minute.
  - Letters of Recommendation can be sent electronically or handed in with application to Phyllis Washington
    Director 21st Century Scholars Success Program
    Taylor Hall: UC B10
    phwashin@iupui.edu
    (317) 274-5973

Spring 2018 Mentor Recruitment Timeline

- Interest Sessions 2/5, 2/7, 2/18
- Applications Due 3/1 at 4:00 p.m.
- Contacted for Interview 3/8
- Deadline to respond and confirm Interview offer 3/20
- Interviews 3/25-3/29
- Notified about position Week of 4/1

Important Dates for Fall 2018 Mentors

- April 13th Retreat
- Aug. 23rd Mentor Training
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Please email Olivia Daley (odaley@iu.edu) if you have any questions.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name:_________________________________  Student ID# ____________________________

Address: ___________________________________  Phone: __________________________

Cell Phone: ____________________________  IUPUI Email: _____________________________

Home Address:

Street  City  State  Zip Code
__________________________________________

Circle all of the following that will apply to you for the fall of 2019:

SOPH  JR  SR  On-campus  Off-campus  Commuter

Cumulative GPA: ___________ (as of January 1, 2019)  Race/Ethnicity ______________________
(Minimum 3.0 GPA required with few exceptions)

Major(s): ____________________________________________  Minor(s): __________________________

Are you a 21st Century Scholar? YES  NO
Did you participate in the Mentor Program as a mentee? YES  NO

List activities in which you have been involved with while attending IUPUI (participation and offices held) include work experience, internships, and volunteer opportunities:

________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________
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Anticipated activities/employment for the 2019-2020 school year and time commitments per week (be sure to include student teaching, internship plans, student organizations, on and off-campus employment, etc…):

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Indianapolis, IN 46202

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Names of people (and their department) writing a letter of recommendation for you. One letter MUST be from IUPUI faculty, administrator, or staff member. Please indicate how letters will be submitted: electronically or paper.
1) _____________________________________________________________
2) _____________________________________________________________

I CAN attend one of the three Peer Mentor Position Interest Sessions listed on page 2. __________ (Initial here)

OR

I can NOT attend one of the three Peer Mentor Position Interest Sessions listed on page 2. I am still interested in the position and will watch the video instead by emailing odaley@iu.edu for access. __________ (Initial here)

The information above is correct to the best of my knowledge. If selected, I will attend mentor training on August 23, 2019. I have read and understand all of the material enclosed within this application packet and acknowledge that I will carry out the Peer Mentor responsibilities to the best of my ability.

I, __________________________(print name), give permission to the director of the IUPUI 21st Century Scholars Program, to collect a degree audit, or unofficial transcript, in order to verify the minimum GPA requirement for consideration for the position of peer mentor.

Signature: __________________________________________________________
Date: ______________________

Peer Mentor Applicants:

Please answer the following set of questions on a separate sheet of paper (typed/double spaced) and attach to your application.

1) Why are you interested in being a peer mentor for the 21st Century Scholars Office?

2) What is the greatest strength that you feel you could bring to the Peer Mentor program?

3) What do you see as three (3) possible issues facing first-year students? How would you as a Peer Mentor help a student facing these issues?