

ACI Career Mentoring Program Recruits for Spring 2021 Semester

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ACI is recruiting mentees and mentors for the spring-fall 2021 session of its [Career Mentoring Program](#), which matches college students with business mentors who can help them prepare to launch their careers. The two-semester, spring-fall 2021 career mentoring session will begin Jan. 15, and conclude Nov. 19.



A virtual program, ACI's Career Mentoring Program calls for bi-weekly meetings between mentors and mentees. The goal is to help students translate classroom learning to the workplace and build networking, professional development and communication skills.

Career services offices of each of ACI's [26 member colleges and universities](#) may nominate up to two students with junior standing to be mentored for the spring semester of their junior year and the fall semester of their senior year. Nominations are due by Jan. 22. Once selected, nominees will be provided with a link to the application to be matched to a mentor. They will have the opportunity to identify goals for their mentoring relationship.

ACI is also recruiting mentors from businesses. Applicants are asked to state their level of experience, the type of job they do and in what industry they work. They also may indicate their interest in mentoring a student of color, first-generation student or a low-income student. Once accepted, mentors go through online training provided by Mentoring Complete, ACI's partner in the Career Mentoring Program. Individuals interested in becoming mentors should visit [Mentoring Complete's website](#) to apply.

Already, after only one semester, ACI is receiving positive feedback about the program. One mentor shared, "I am very excited and happy to let you know that we would like to mark the current engagement as successfully completed since the mentee successfully landed with a job offer and has accepted. She participated in this program for help in preparing resume/job interviews."

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