# **Faculty Mentor Duties**

The following document illustrates some of the roles that faculty mentors can play, and the differences 'between programs that will be involved in student mentoring at a basic level (Tier 1.) and more in-depth level (Tier 2.) This is not comprehensive list, nor should mentors assume they will be performing all of the activities in a given Tier. Ultimately a program should articulate a version of what they want to accomplish with their pre-majors given the resources available to them (See the history example).

#### **Recruitment and NSO**

#### Tier 1:

Communicate with prospective students interested in program.

If faculty are available, serve as a representative at NSO to meet/greet students in discipline face to face and discuss career or transfer options.

#### Tier 2:

Actively work to recruit and onboard student into the program.

Provide additional advising within academic program/discipline for initial courses and major expectations.

Inform students of program requirements, course sequences and career options.

### **Pre-Major Pathways**

#### Tier 1:

Serve as pre-major and subject matter expert for program of study.

Serve as a point of contact for advisers with students in your pre-major.

Assist student with using Alamo GPS to identify degree requirements.

### Tier 2:

Help student create Pre-Major Pathways

Preform 15, 30, and 45 hour degree audits.

Assist students to be proactive with their degree plan.

### **Career and education Goals and Guidance:**

### Tier 1:

Discuss career possibilities in a field, including possible financial implications of choices at a general level.

Discuss personal career experience.

Discuss level of education required for specific fields.

Assist with identification of goals, and consistently discuss with them their short-term and long-term objectives to progress in their major as well as what they want to accomplish with their degree.

Help students determine strengths and interest within a discipline; general discussion based on in depth knowledge of student (case by case basis).

#### Tier 2:

Review career choice based on salary and financial implications of different degrees/transfer institutions.

Help with planning of career pathways.

Help student identify job opportunities in the field.

Discuss expectations for career interviews

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# Program/Discipline-specific co-curricular activities:

#### Tier 1:

Identify and explain discipline-specific requirements for practicums, internships and jobs.

Educate themselves regarding discipline specific internship and co-curricular activity opportunities.

Give out information, promote and refer students to sponsors of co-curricular events.

Support student as they use of co-curricular activities to gain knowledge of background, skills set, and time investment in the field.

### Tier 2:

Monitor the events or engage in co-curricular events/activities.

Aid in the design of program/discipline-specific co-curricular activities.

Connect student to internship and co-curricular activity opportunities.

Organize practicums, and internship opportunities.

# Transfer and Scholarship

#### Tier 1:

Refer students to TRAC

Give tips on transfer admissions that are program-specific.

Distribute discipline-specific transfer information.

Make sure student declares major or transfer intent at or before 30 hours.

Offer guidance and identification of four year institutions and programs.

Discuss the culture of the academic discipline.

Give professional referrals if possible.

Provide inform on career- and department- or discipline-specific scholarships.

Write letters of recommendation for scholarships, job, or transfer.

# Tier 2:

Connect student to faculty/network at transfer institution if possible.

Assist with transfer application process.

Assist with creation of e-portfolio if applicable to the field.

Assist with scholarship application essays or media.

### **Graduation:**

#### Tier 1:

Contact student early to discuss graduation progress and put students in touch with advisors.

# Tier 2:

Complete application and review department requirements.