

Hamilton College



2016-2017 Peer Mentor Participation Agreement

Peer Mentors working with the Multicultural Peer Mentoring Project are expected to meet the following requirements:

- I understand that I must commit to being on-campus for the entire academic year (both the fall and spring semesters with no commitment to study away/abroad) and to actively and consistently engage with my mentee(s);
- I understand that I am required to attend ALL team building/training sessions and individual and group meetings;
- I understand that I must participate in the team building/training session to be held in April of 2016 and return to campus early for the Fall 2016 semester to participate in team building/training activities and to connect with mentee(s);
- I understand that I must remain in good academic standing to remain a peer mentor;
- As a role model and leader within the community, I agree to exercise good judgment in representing the College and uphold institutional standards, including the Honor Code and all policies detailed in the Student Handbook. I understand that I also need to be in good social standing with the institution. If I am found responsible for violating any College policies while serving as a Peer Mentor, I understand that I may be asked to leave the position;
- I must have email and internet access and the ability to log onto Facebook over the course of the summer of 2016 to connect with mentees and other mentors (does not apply to those residing in countries without access to Facebook);
- I must respond in a timely manner to all emails or requests made of me by my mentee(s); fellow mentors; peer mentor intern(s) or the Associate Dean of Students for Multicultural Affairs and Accessibility Services;
- I must use appropriate language in all correspondence while remaining professional and courteous;
- I must maintain confidentiality with any information I may receive about my mentee(s);
- I agree that part of my role as a peer mentor is to work in a small group setting with other mentors to create and plan at least two programs each semester;
- I understand that I am required to attend at least two peer mentoring-sponsored programs (other than my own) and two all-campus programs per semester with my mentee(s);
- I must refrain from speaking negatively or inappropriately about campus offices, programs and concentrations, faculty and staff and New Student Orientation. You are welcome to speak of your experiences but please be tasteful and allow your mentee(s) to have their own experiences as well; and
- I must notify the Dean of Students Office (Multicultural Affairs) of mentees who may be struggling with transition, acting inappropriately during in-person contacts and other communication, indicate they have decided to no longer attend Hamilton or to transfer to another college, and/or have questions you do not feel equipped to answer.

I have read and understand the above statements. I understand that full participation in the peer mentoring experience and meeting the above mentioned guidelines are requirements of my position as a peer mentor and I agree to fulfill these responsibilities to the best of my ability. Failure to meet these requirements may result in termination from the peer mentor position. My signature below indicates that I accept the offer to be a peer mentor for 2016-2017 through the Hamilton College Dean of Students Office (Multicultural Affairs).

Peer Mentor (print)

Associate Dean of Students (print)

Peer Mentor (signature)

Associate Dean of Students (signature)

Date

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