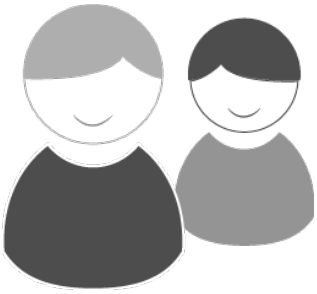
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MENTOR PROGRAM

MENTEE APPLICATION FORM



What is the Mentor Program?

The International Student Mentor Program is designed to assist new international students in adjusting academically, culturally, and socially to the United States and The New School. The mentors are available to answer any questions new students might have upon arrival and during their first semester in the United States, giving them a chance to get to know and learn about other students from across the world.

Who are the Mentors and Mentees?

Mentees are New School, undergraduate or graduate international students just like you, who have come thousands of miles to a new land to study, gain insight into a different culture, and share their cultures with others. Mentors are international or American students who have been at the New School for at least one semester and are truly committed to learning about new cultures, expanding their world vision, and helping new internationals adjust to their new lives away from home.

Who's eligible to be a Mentee?

A mentee should be social, approachable, reliable, and trustworthy. He/she should be able to maintain confidentiality and appropriate boundaries when sharing personal information, as well as be respectful toward other individuals. Interest in learning and sharing new cultural experiences is also essential.

How does the Mentor Program work?

Once we receive your application, International Student Services will assign you with a mentor and other mentees according to your New School division, program of study, and any special interests you might have. Soon after that, we will contact you with information about your assigned mentor/mentors. You must contact them by phone, e-mail or in person at least once at the beginning of the semester and at least once a month after that.*

What are the requirements for the Mentor Program?

- Be able to contact your mentors at least once a month during the semester.
- Show interest and commitment to gaining knowledge from the mentoring relationship by sharing your experiences and points of view.
- Be honest about your wants, needs and likes.
- Attend Orientation week at the beginning of the semester and if that's not possible, schedule a meeting with your mentoring group no later than the second week of classes.
- Contact International Student Services once a month about ongoing activities, meetings and other events attended by your mentoring group.

What are the benefits of The International Mentor Program?

The benefits of the mentor program include receiving first hand assistance from continuing New School students, sharing and expanding your knowledge on diverse cultures, customs and life-styles from around the world, as well as gaining valuable insight about life in New York City.

How to Apply?

Complete our online form at bit.ly/ISS_MenteeApp, submit this application by email to issevents@newschool.edu, fax it to (212) 229-8992 or bring it to our office at 79 Fifth Avenue, 5th floor.

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* Acceptance to the Mentor program is a first come first served basis. There are a limited number of Mentee opportunities and those applicants not immediately allowed to participate will be put on a waiting list. If more Mentors become available, those on the waiting list will be allowed to participate in the program.

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Date of application: _____

Name	Last	First	**Student ID Number** **N**
Active E-mail			
Phone Number in the US			
School	❑ The New School for Social Research ❑ The New School for Public Engagement ❑ Parsons School of Design ❑ Eugene Lang College	❑ Mannes College of Music ❑ The New School for Drama ❑ The New School for Jazz & Contemporary Music	
Program Level	❑ Graduate ❑Undergraduate ❑Certificate ❑Continuing Education		
Major			
Interests (hobbies, preferred social activities, pets, favorite music, etc)			
Gender Identity			
Other languages spoken			

1. Will you be able to maintain contact with your mentors at least once a month? (check one)
   - ❑ YES
   - ❑ NO

2. Do you have any preference for being matched to your mentors (e.g. gender, nationality, program of study)?

3. What kind of help or support do you hope to receive from your mentors?

4. Any other comments and concerns?

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