



About the Mentoring Program

The Wolf Pack Mentoring Program is a student development collaborative effort between the ARCOS (Accelerate, Retain, Complete with Opportunities and Support) STEM Program and the STEM Student Association. The program adopts a hierarchical model where peer mentors are supported and guided by faculty to maintain academic excellence, while they in turn support first-year students with their transition to college life. The goal of the program is for peer mentors to gain servant leadership skills, polish success strategies, and develop a strong sense of campus community. While these skills are being attained, peer mentors pay it forward by offering individual encouragement and guidance to their mentees throughout their first academic year.

Peer Mentor Responsibilities

- Attend peer mentor orientation scheduled on **Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 9:00 AM -2:30 PM**
- Attend two scheduled activities with faculty mentors and mentees
- Attend 1 STEMSA sponsored event
- Meet one-on-one with assigned faculty mentor at least once a month for a minimum of half hour
- Meet one-on-one with assigned mentee (s) at least once a month for a minimum of one hour
- Contact mentees at least every other week by phone, text, or e-mail only
- Submit the online progress/update report by the last day of every month
- Serve as an academic and social role model
- Invite mentees to campus and non-campus social, cultural, and academic activities
- Encourage mentees to get involved with the campus community by inviting them to join student clubs and organizations
- Serve as a campus resource by connecting mentees with college programs, services, and departments
- Maintain frequent communication with the ARCOS Coordinator
- Be available to uphold the peer mentor role for both spring and summer semesters

Peer leaders will receive a \$150 stipend per year for each student mentored. Peer Leaders may mentor up to two students. Failure to meet responsibilities listed above could affect the compensation amount and/or lead to program dismissal.

Program Eligibility

Peer Mentor candidates must meet the following requirements to be considered:

- Enrolled at the MDC Wolfson Campus for a minimum of six credit hours
- Have declared a STEM (science, technology, engineering or math) related major or pathway Completion of at least two semesters for a total of 24 credit hours. Only grades of A, B, C, and S will count towards the 24 credit hours
- Minimum overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0. GPA will be verified
- Be in good academic standing

Application Requirements

The following application documents must be received as a package by no later than **August 17, 2020**:

- ✓ Wolf Pack Peer Mentor Application form
- ✓ Peer Mentor Reference form (from an MDC faculty or staff)
- ✓ Copy of unofficial transcripts (may be obtained from MyMDC student portal)

Submit Documents to: arcos@mdc.edu



Miami Dade College – Wolfson Campus
The Wolf Pack Mentoring Program
Peer Mentor Application
2020-2021



PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Personal Information:

Last Name	First Name	Student Id	Gender ☐ Female ☐ Male
Address	City	State	Zip Code
E-mail	Home Phone	Cell Phone	

Declared Major	Type of Degree (<i>check one</i>) ☐ A.A. ☐ A.S. ☐ B.S. ☐ Other _____	Total # of credits	Overall GPA	Are you in good academic standing? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, please explain _____
Will you be enrolling at MDC Wolfson campus during? (<i>check all that apply</i>) ☐ Fall term ☐ Spring term		List of student clubs/organizations you belong to ☐ STEMSEA ☐ PTK ☐ NSLS ☐ Other (<i>list below</i>): _____		
Expected Graduation Date:	Will you be employed in the spring term? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many hours per week will you be working? _____			

About the Applicant (*please provide brief and concrete answers to the questions below*):

1. Why do you want to be a mentor?
2. What personal qualities/strengths would you bring as a Wolf Pack Peer Mentor?
3. What are your long term academic/professional goals?
4. Have you ever participated in a mentorship program (either as mentor or mentee)? If so, briefly describe your experience.
5. Please list any hobbies, interests, and/or extra-curricular activities.

Preferences and Availability

Do you rather mentor a? ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ No preference	Do you prefer to mentor a student with a particular major? ☐ No preference ☐ List major (s) _____
List days and hours of availability during fall term. ☐ Mon _____ ☐ Tues _____ ☐ Wed _____ ☐ Thurs _____ ☐ Fri _____ ☐ Don't know yet	

By signing below, I attest the information provided in this application is true and represents by abilities to the best of my knowledge.
I authorize the ARCOS Director to verify my academic standing.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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For MDC faculty or staff: The student listed below is applying to be a peer mentor to new MDC students. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us evaluate his/her qualifications. **Please email form to arcos@mdc.edu.** Thank you in advance for your time. If you would like to know more about the program, please visit our website, www.mdc.edu/arcos.

Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Faculty Information:

Last Name	First Name
MDC Department	Position/Title
E-mail	Phone
Approximate length of time you know the candidate	
How do you know the candidate?	

Please relate your responses specifically to the student's ability as compared to students of similar age. Check or place an X in the appropriate box for each area:

Personal Qualities	Excellent	Good	Fair	No Observation
Interpersonal Skills				
Honesty/Integrity				
Empathy for Others				
Acceptance of Setbacks				
Respect for Authority				

Academic Abilities	Excellent	Good	Fair	No Observation
Math Skills				
Time-Management				
Study Habits				
Ability to work in groups				

Overall recommendation:

☐ Highly Recommend ☐ Recommend ☐ Recommend with Reservation ☐ Not Recommended

Comments: (Optional)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send all application documents to: arcos@mdc.edu