

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM



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It is time to schedule your last one-on-one meeting. If you were unable to connect in April and May as the world responded and adjusted to the global pandemic and the ensuing local mandates, please feel free to get together twice in the next couple of months. Schedule a preferred time, duration, and digital venue to reconnect with your mentor by the end of the week.

SET THE LOCATION

For this meeting, if your digital platform allows, select a background of a favorite place you have lived or traveled to or are currently enjoying during shelter-in-place and start your meet-up with a discussion of how the space makes you feel. Even without the visual background, feel free to start your phone call with some collective memory sharing.

CURRENT DISCUSSION TOPICS

- Explain and share how your workplace responded to the pandemic in terms of overall service, resident/client interactions, etc.
- Discuss trends and skills that will be necessary in the planning field for the next couple of years and on a long-term permanent basis
- Examine the current resources available to planners, and the general public, in a time of need, and exchange thoughts on how we can start building resiliency now

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Critique résumé, portfolio, cover letter, and/or online profile
- Discuss 1-year, 5-year, 10-year goals and compare Mentor's and Mentoree's prior and current goals
- Hold a mock interview
- Share a Mentor's specific project in detail
- Share a list of planning-related resources that she or he has found particularly helpful and discuss the list

NEXT STEPS

- Set expectations and confirm whether you will connect again before the end of the program (July), for a total of 3 meetings for the 2020 program, or if you would prefer to continue meeting after the program

THANK YOU for your participation in the 2020 Mentorship program!

As the 2020 Mentorship Program wraps up at the end of July, we would like to thank everyone for their time. We put in a lot of effort in matching, but this program is only as successful as the energy and enthusiasm our Mentors and Mentorees bring to share with one another.

Hope to see returning Mentors and Mentorees, and mentoree-turned-mentors, too! Thank you!

Looking Ahead

Enrollment for the 2021 Mentorship Program will begin in the fall of this year, giving Mentors and Mentorees an opportunity to be matched with someone new by January 2021.

Stay tuned to APA California Northern Section's communication channels in September for updates on Mentor and Mentoree Registration.

RESOURCES

Throughout the year you can find information on Northern Section news, events, and job opportunities on our website, Facebook page, Twitter, and Instagram.

- www.norcalapa.org
- www.facebook.com/norcalapa
- [@APA_CANorthern](https://twitter.com/APA_CANorthern)

