

How to Work With Your Project Mentor

How to Find a Faculty Mentor

Initiate Connections

- See if your advisor can connect you with potential mentors (including themselves!)
- Talk with instructors/professors/faculty
 - Take advantage of Office Hours!
 - Feedback on your project/assignments.
 - Ask for resource recommendations or opportunities.



Maintaining Good Relationships

Mentor Meetings:

- Set goals for each meeting.
- Be prepared—respect your mentor's time.
 - Bring visuals for better discussions.
- Be honest, open-minded, share your concerns!
- Listen to their feedback and work with them to apply their critiques accurately.

Working With Your Mentor

Pre-research & Background:

- Brainstorming; project direction and clarification; literature review; preliminary discussions

Project Development:

- Bias-check to ensure the method will have accurate results.
- Use their experience as guidance.
- Check-in to identify research pitfalls.

Analysis and Conclusion:

- Check the logic and consistency of your analysis.
- Compare how you are interpreting your results.



SOURCE

SOURCE Project Registration:

- Write your abstract/creative explanation with your mentor.
- All mentors must approve their mentees' project registration for SOURCE.

Presentation and Delivery:

- Work together to improve communication and ensure you are delivering accurate information.
 - Research presentations are meant to teach the audience.
- Mentors can provide feedback on presentation format and delivery.