



FL POLY MENTORS

OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES

Frequently Asked Mentor Questions

What is a mentor?

Mentors answer mentees' questions, help mentees learn their way around campus, offer encouragement, introduce mentees to University employees and other students, and generally help mentees feel more comfortable on campus.

What are the benefits of becoming a mentor?

- Leadership training, invitations to exclusive activities for mentors and mentees, and the knowledge that they are making a difference.
- Development of leadership skills in supportive environment.
- Excellent opportunity to add leadership experience to resume.

What are the responsibilities of a mentor?

- Sharing knowledge and enthusiasm with mentees.
- Commit to reading a leadership related book chosen by ODS, over the summer.
- Attend a 3-hour leadership training session.
- Meet mentees during the second week of school.
- Have at least one contact with mentees on a weekly basis. (Contacts can be made in person, via text, email or social media.)
- Help mentees become familiar with Florida Poly.
- Help mentees locate academic support (Professor meeting process, Tutoring, Academic Success Coaches, etc.)
- Attend a monthly mentor group meeting (Lunch will be provided).

How many mentees per mentor?

Mentors typically have between 1 and 3 mentees each academic year. Mentors meet their mentees in August and maintain contact until the spring term ends in May.

What are the requirements to become a mentor?

- Minimum 2.5 GPA and good academic standing.
- Be comfortable meeting new people.
- At least one semester completed at Florida Poly. Preferably active in a group, club or program.
- Mentors should be excited about the opportunity to play such an important role in the life of a new student and the chance to make some new friends!

How do I become a mentor?

Apply early! Applications are due by April 25th. Training will be conducted Aug. 21 when the semester begins.

Mentor Application

Thank you for your interest in the ODS Mentor Program. Please print legibly and once complete, return this application to the Office of Disability Services.

Name: _____ Student ID#: _____

Phone #: ☐ Home ☐ Cell _____ If cell, may we text you? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Email: _____ Major: _____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

First-generation college student? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please tell us a little about yourself:

Please list any on- or off-campus groups or organizations you are affiliated with and any leadership positions you currently hold:

In your opinion, what are the most important things students can do to be successful at Florida Poly?

Mentors help new students feel more comfortable on campus. What are ways in which you could help a student feel more comfortable on campus?

Are you willing to participate in monthly Mentor lunch meetings?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Are you comfortable meeting new people and talking with small groups (8 to 10)?

☐ Yes ☐ No