



Society of Mature Students (SMS) Mentor

This unique opportunity allows Mature Student Mentors to work with incoming mature students from their own faculty, providing support and encouragement to assist during first year. Peer Mentors will connect with students and communicate via phone, email, facebook, or text throughout the year as needed, to determine their needs and recommend resources. Are you engaged, a strong communicator and passionate about helping others? If so, join our team!

What will you gain from this role?

- Opportunities to use facilitation skills for campus wide events
- A more in-depth understanding of Student Services
- Recognition through Western's Co-Curricular Record (wccr.uwo.ca)
- Learn how to support incoming students with the transition and become comfortable using referrals to resources
- Being part of a fun team

What do we ask from you?

- Attend regular team meetings to plan for upcoming events and receive support
- Commit to contacting your mentees every week and work to develop positive peer to peer relationships
- Engagement for the entire school year
- Perform tasks that have been assigned to the best of your ability – ask for help if you need it.
- Represent The Student Success Centre professionally
- Respect differences of gender, ethnic origin, race, religious affiliation, sexual orientation and those with disabilities.

What kind of student leaders are we looking for? Those with.....

- Mature student experience of your own at either the undergraduate or graduate levels
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Willing to commit to training sessions and weekly volunteer hours
- Interested in helping Western's mature students
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Minimum 70% academic average (65% in Engineering)
- Western undergraduate student
- Completed (or completing presently) at least 5 full courses (or equivalent) at Western

Hours

Vary, depending on the time of year and the needs of the mentoring team, but over the academic year (September 1 – April 29), will average out to no more than 1-3 hours per week.

Pay

This position is UNPAID and eligible for work study