Northern Michigan University

Student Leader Fellowship Program

BECOME A MENTOR

Serving as a mentor for a student in the <u>Student Leader Fellowship Program</u> (SLFP) is your opportunity to:

- SHARE your experiences and leadership advice.
- INSPIRE future leaders.
- GROW students' involvement in the community.
- BE re-energized, and gain new leadership insights.

This mentorship is more focused on getting students engaged in the community and finding a great overall connection rather than focusing on their major/minor. Although there may be some educational benefits that emerge from a student being matched with someone in the same career field, this is viewed as a bonus.

HOW IT WORKS

- Fill out the Mentor Profile form (April June).
- Get matched with a student fellow for one academic year (June July).
- Attend a Mentor Orientation (July August)
 - Go over the program, mentor component and expectations.
 - Find out who your mentee is!
 - o Write a letter introducing yourself to your mentee.
- Attend a workshop (Mentorshop) with your mentee each semester (two overall).
- Set up your own schedule of meetings and activities with your mentee.
 - Meet around twice a month.
 - Activities include going out for coffee, volunteering, SLFP social events, attending a community/campus event, job shadowing, going for a hike, etc.
- Provide support, advice, community connections and opportunities for a future leader.

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MENTOR/MENTEE PROGRAM TIMELINE

2024 Fall Semester

Monday, August 26 First day of the fall semester for NMU students!

September 6 - 7 Student Fellows attend the SLFP Fall Retreat and go through a mentee orientation w/ a

mentor reveal! Mentees will be in contact with their Mentors following the retreat.

Monday, September 9 Time to get started and connect! Meet and communicate with your mentor/mentee on a

bi-weekly basis.

September Student Fellows and Mentors attend a *Fall Mentorshop* together to discuss expectations,

set goals, and brainstorm activities. More information to come via SLFP email.

Mid-October Student Fellows will have a Mentor Biography assignment due in their UN 250 leadership

class.

November 25-29 Thanksgiving Break for NMU students.

Friday, December 6 SLFP Holiday Party!

December 9-13 Final Exam Week for NMU students

December Mid-Year evaluations from Mentors are due. More information to come via the SLFP

email.

Monday, December 16 Winter break begins for NMU students.

2025 Winter Semester

Monday, January 13 First day of the winter semester for NMU students!

January - February Student Fellows and Mentors attend a Winter Mentorshop. More information to come via

SLFP email.

February - April Student Fellows and Mentors work together to explore areas of need for developing the

student fellows Community Service Internship (CSI) for next year.

Friday, March 14 Community Service Internship (CSI) - Initial Proposals are due. Student Fellows must

obtain Mentor's signature on their Initial Proposal.

Friday, April 18 Community Service Internship (CSI) - Final Proposals are due.

April 28 - May 3 Final Exam Week for NMU students and wrap up mentorship.

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