

My junior year of college, I felt that I had the experience necessary to help support incoming students. While I had already supported my peers in an advocacy based context, being an Honors Peer Mentor called upon me to provide more generalized academic advice as well as recommendations for balancing extracurricular and academic recommendations. The relative interests of my mentees also required that I broaden my horizons. While one mentee was pursuing a major in Biochemistry which overlapped with much of my coursework, my other mentee was interested in a Business major. I found myself checking the biases I have as a STEM student to provide more general advice as well as seeking out resources to provide to my business-minded mentee. I networked on the behalf of my mentee and found Greek organizations as well as other UW organizations that focus upon business opportunities as well as debate, providing these to her so that she could set a solid foundation of engagement. I found it