

ACI MENTOR GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

The ACI Foundation is seeking to improve its mentorship program and requests that you review our revised program goals containing new mentor requirements and a minimum time commitment before completing a fellowship mentor application.

Main Objectives of the Mentorship Program

- Increase student awareness of the ACI Foundation and further engage them with ACI so that they stay in the concrete industry and stay involved with ACI/ACI Foundation
- Provide students an organized & consistent experience
- Increase the awareness of professional career development opportunities within ACI and the concrete industry
- Build a professional network to support students/mentees in their next steps in their career path in the concrete industry

Minimum Time Commitment

The ACI Foundation requests each mentor commitment a duration of one year to their student/mentee. The following schedule is encouraged:

- One in-person meeting (1 hour), if possible, for a mentor/mentee introduction at the beginning of the program, ideally at the fall ACI Concrete Convention.
- One follow-up meeting (1 hour) three to four weeks after the in-person meeting, either in-person or online.
- Quarterly meetings (1 hour) either in-person or online to ensure continuity of the discussion.

We request a minimum of six meetings (*estimated 6 hours in a one-year period*) with your student/mentee. The frequency of the meetings should be determined by the needs and interests of the mentor/mentee match.

Process & Timeline

1. Fellowship finalists are confirmed and accept award (March / April).
2. Staff completes a rough match of potential mentees with potential mentors according to focus of study and mentor survey (June / July).
3. "Program Book" emailed to mentors & mentees containing general information about mentees as well as mentor bios and career overviews (August).
4. Online meeting held for all to "meet" (September).
5. Mentors & mentees matched (September / October).
6. 1-year mentorship officially begins at the fall ACI Concrete Convention (October).



To best match student candidates with mentors, please complete the questionnaire below and submit your completed form to: chandice.moore@acifoundation.org

Date: _____

Name: _____

Contact Information:

(email, phone, work address)

Occupation

(trade or job title)

Years in Career:

Education:

Please describe why you would like to serve as a mentor:

(150 words or less)

Brief Bio:

(250 words or less)

Select which concrete industry applications interest you the most, or aligns the best with your career focus:

(select up to 4 choices)

- Academics / Education
- Concrete Design
 - General
 - Joints & bearings
 - Seismic systems
- Concrete Industry Management
- Construction / Field
- Forensic Engineering
- Materials
- Sustainability