

Always Reaching Upward Mentorship Program

Established in 2000 by the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, Always Reaching Upward (ARU) is a mentorship program dedicated to the academic and social success of students from high school seniors to college seniors. It consists of two mentoring tiers which encapsulates assisting students in all stages of their college career.

1. Pre-Enrollment - High school mentoring
2. Peer - College mentoring

Our Philosophy

Connect...with a mentor, staff, and positive resources.

Empower...yourself to succeed through other's guidance & leadership.

Develop...the skills you need to follow your dreams.

Succeed!!...you will ultimately succeed by gaining skills needed for academic and career achievement!

PRE-ENROLLMENT

The ARU Pre-Enrollment Mentoring Program helps high school students transition to college! Pre-Enrollment mentors will provide hands-on guidance with:

- ★ College application
- ★ Financial aid & scholarships
- ★ Understanding your ACT score and its effect on your enrollment
- ★ Getting to know the University of Wisconsin-Parkside

The Pre-enrollment mentors are assigned to: Racine/Kenosha local area high schools including Bradford, Indian Trail Academy, Tremper, J.I. Case, Washington Park and Horlick.

Who can be an ARU Pre-Enrollment Mentor? Selected through an application and interview process, Pre-Enrollment Mentors are college students who exemplify successful leadership and further promote the positive progress and well-being of admitted high school seniors.

If you are interested in being a Pre-enrollment Mentor or Mentee, please contact:

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PEER MENTORSHIP

By participating in this tier of the program, first year college students will receive a peer mentor who will be designated to assist freshmen students in achieving a successful first year experience. Peer mentors provide:

- One-on-one mentoring
- Academic strategies workshops
- Career development workshops
- Fun Social events
- Participating in student organizations

Who can be an ARU Peer Mentee?

Incoming freshmen to UW-Parkside who welcome the opportunity to form a mentoring relationship with experienced college upperclassmen in order to achieve a successful college experience.

Who are ARU Peer Mentors and Lead Mentors?

Peer Mentors are college upperclassmen selected through an application and interview process. They must demonstrate exemplary leadership and passion to help others succeed. They serve as role models, advisors, and a positive resource for mentees.

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Mentorship:

Connect.

Empower.

Develop.

Succeed!

"My Mentor taught me so much about succeeding in college that I feel I am ready for the next year."

-Mentee, K. Howard