Questions and Answers

How do I register to participate in the program?
If you are a student seeking a mentor, contact The Cooper Center. If you are an alumnus or alumna and wish to become a mentor, contact the Alumni Office. The contact information for both offices is located on the back of this brochure.

Are students and alumni charged a fee to participate?
No fees are charged for services rendered through this program.

Alumni Mentoring Program

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**Alumni Mentoring Program**

The Alumni Mentoring Program strives to enhance the educational experience of our students. By fostering a relationship with Trinity Christian alumni, the Alumni Mentoring Program promotes professional development and real world experience for our students. The program not only gives alumni an opportunity to contribute meaningfully to students, but also to the College.

Students should contact The Cooper Center to arrange for participation in the program. Alumni interested in participating as mentors may contact the Alumni Office for assistance.

The Alumni Mentoring Program allows students to discuss some of their issues, concerns and questions informally with a graduate from their academic program. The process of exploring career goals and options usually prompts college students to ask questions such as:

- What career do I want to pursue?
- What are the career options available to someone with my degree?
- Should I consider attending graduate school?
- What does it take to be successful in my desired career?
- What salary should I expect as a new professional?

As participants in the mentoring program, students can find answers to these questions and obtain practical career guidance from professionals who also share the experience of a Trinity education.

**Benefits of Participation**

**Alumni**
Mentors can share their gift of knowledge and experience with students to assist them in transitioning from Trinity to the world of work. Mentors can assist students by:

- Serving as a telephone/e-mail resource for answering/discussing career-related questions
- Allowing a mentee to job shadow
- Conducting practice interviews with a mentee

**Students**
Mentees will be able to:

- Establish relationships that facilitate better career decision-making
- Learn more about their chosen career path
- Receive job search strategies and practical career advice
- Become more focused and prepared for the school-to-work transition