

# Rules for a good mentoring relationship

- The mentee is responsible for ensuring an agenda for each meeting and putting what they learn into practice.
- The mentor is responsible for setting sufficient time aside and being <u>physically and mentally present</u> at the meetings. The mentor describes their own experiences.
- The parties prepare an agreement at the first meeting.
- The mentoring relationship focuses on the mentee's job/career.
- The relationship lasts approx. one year



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# Clarification

- What do you want out of your mentoring?
- What kind of help do you need right now?
- What should your mentor know about you?
- What are your strengths?
- What are your greatest needs?
- What topics will you discuss?



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# Roles of mentee and mentor

## Mentee

Takes initiative to arrange meetings, with additional dates in the calendar

### Mentor

Attends meetings and awaits the mentee's initiatives



Writes summary for mentor by agreement

Follows up if too much time passes between meetings

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## Shared

Formulate contract together
Remind each other of agreements, evaluations and progress

# Learning and evaluation in meetings

## To be filled in by the mentee

#### Before the meeting:

- What stands out from the previous meeting?
- 2. The goal discussed in the previous meeting:
  - How have I worked on it?
  - What went well? / What was difficult?

At the end of the meeting: spend a few minutes answering the following questions and briefly discuss your thoughts with your mentor before you part.

- What's been useful in this conversation?
- What would you like the mentor to focus on more?
- What will you work on before the next meeting?

## To be filled in by the mentor:

#### Before the meeting:

- What stands out from the previous meeting?
- The goal discussed in the previous meeting:

At the end of the meeting: spend a few minutes answering the following questions and briefly discuss them with the mentee before you part

- What interested me most?
- What learning points have become clear to me?
- What did I learn about myself in this meeting?



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# Checking the relationship is right

Meeting 1: check expectations- on both sides

• Meeting 2: check expectation again - have they changed?

 Meeting 3: first relationship review - mentor and mentee assess how each has contributed to making the relationship work.



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# Alignment of expectations

A working paper you can return to to check whether you're still on the right course.

## Goals

 Describe maximum three objectives of your mentor relationship

## **Practical framework**

 Describe the practical terms of the relationship concerning confidentiality, frequency and initiator of meetings



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# Mentee/mentor agreement: questions to consider

- What is the mentee asking for help or support with (implicit/explicit)?
- What kind of help can the mentor give? Practical help? Invitation to his or her own network?
- What does the mentee hope the mentorship will lead to?
- What does the mentor hope the mentorship will lead to? For the mentee? For the mentor?
- Is there anything the mentor does not want to do or help with?
- How should the meetings be evaluated in the course of the mentorship, and how should the parties discuss the outcome?
- Should mentor/mentee agree on a principle of mutual confidentiality?
- Should mentor/mentee agree on conditions for cancelling meetings?



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