

2026-27 SSA Science Mentorship Program

Mentee Information

Thank you for your interest in becoming a mentee! As a mentee in the 2026-2027 SSA Science Mentorship Program, you will gain insights into the Faculty of Science, what it means to be a science student, and how to succeed in various facets of university life! Furthermore, you will learn tips and tricks from upper-year students on how to manage your time, study effectively, and develop lots of important habits and strategies that have helped senior students succeed in the faculty already! Most importantly, you will build meaningful connections with peers and others within the faculty who can support you on your journey through science.

I. General Requirements

- Mentees **MUST** be enrolled as a Faculty of Science student (or as a transfer science student from another university or be a student who is interested in transferring to the Faculty of Science). **First-year students** enrolled in the Faculty of Science will be given priority.
- Mentees should be interested in learning more about what it means to be a science student at the University of Manitoba from upper-year students.
- Regularly review your university email and SSA socials for program updates and/or schedule changes.
- Mentees **MUST** maintain a strict code of conduct and professionalism as a student within the Faculty of Science and the University of Manitoba community.
(<https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/respectful-conduct>)
- Mentees **MUST** adhere to the Mentorship Program's Code of Conduct.
- Express the utmost sensitivity to the needs and backgrounds of your mentor(s).

II. Program Requirements

- Be available to attend an initial meet and greet with mentor/fellow mentees.
- Mentees **MUST** provide at least one form of contact for their mentor. (e.g. phone number, email, etc.)
- Meetings **MUST** occur in public spaces (i.e. no homes, apartments, dorms, etc.). Virtual meetings (e.g. via Zoom, Teams, FaceTime, etc.) can occur when in-person events are not scheduled and/or possible.



- It is recommended to connect/meet with your mentor(s) minimum **biweekly** via text, virtual/in-person meeting, or email for the duration of the Fall 2026 **and** for the Winter 2027 semester. **Mentees are encouraged to engage with mentors as they see fit to an appropriate extent.**
- Mentees **MUST** meet with their mentor for a **minimum of 8 hours** throughout the academic year to be eligible for ER credit.
- Provide feedback for the program at its conclusion to improve it in future academic years.

III. Selections

- The selection of mentees is based on the number of mentors for a given academic year and the amount of funding available to the program for a given academic year.
- Preference is given to science students in the **first year** of their program.

IV. Meeting Structure

- Mentors and Mentees will be given the opportunity to meet each other at our Science mentorship program Meet and Greet event (date TBA).
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V. Questions/Concerns

- Please email: SSAcademics1@gmail.com for any questions/concerns that may arise.

