

Be a part of Student Success



As a mentor in the Arizona Assurance Scholars Program, you give encouragement and support to well-deserving students, becoming an integral link to their success. By providing meaningful interactions in less formal settings outside the classroom environment, you help your scholars navigate through the transition into their collegiate experiences. The relationships you build will help these young adults become effective decision-makers with a love of learning and ultimately graduates from the University of Arizona. Mentors have found that, along the way, they have gained a great deal of satisfaction, insight and joy from their commitment to student success.



What is the Arizona Assurance Scholars Program?

Arizona Assurance is an initiative intent on bringing qualified students from low-income families to the University of Arizona, supporting them through graduation, and helping them succeed with little or no debt. Sixty percent of the Arizona Assurance Scholars are from minority backgrounds and nearly half are first-generation college students.

The Scholars you will work with all have met the following criteria:

- Earned admission to UA
- Be an Arizona resident
- Entered UA directly from high school
- Be eligible for the Federal Pell Grant
- Enrolled as a full-time student at UA

Expectations for Mentors:

- Attend the “Meet Your Mentor Event” in September
- Meet with your mentees twice per semester
- Review the training materials on the Arizona Assurance website or attend an informational meeting (dates and times to be determined)

What are the outcomes of Arizona Assurance participation?

- Your job satisfaction may just increase.
- A diverse group of low-income students will stay in school.
- The students you work with will experience greater academic success (i.e. higher GPAs, increased research and career path opportunities).
- You will learn from these students while they are learning from you.

How will I be Assigned?

Mentors will be assigned two Arizona Assurance Scholars unless you indicate that you would like to mentor a small group (five students) of scholars. We try to match by academic discipline but this is not always possible because many students are undecided majors at the start of their freshman year.

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You will be able to use your NetID to login to *assurancenet* and:

- View the name and contact information for each of your scholars
- Provide your information for the scholars
- View training materials
- Access important updates
- See copies of newsletters sent to the scholars



To sign up to mentor the incoming cohort of Arizona Assurance scholars, go to assurance.arizona.edu and click on the link that says “Volunteer to Mentor.”

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