International Peer Mentoring

Mentor Position Description for Fall 2020

Overview

International Peer Mentors have a unique opportunity to volunteer in a leadership role within the BCIT community and to make a real difference in the lives of new international students – all while having a lot of fun and enjoying fantastic benefits!

Program Objectives

• Help new international students transition to life as a BCIT student
• Encourage mentees to set goals and to create an action plan to work towards achieving these goals
• Create a network of peer support for all participants
• Provide an opportunity for mentors to gain valuable leadership experience
• Strengthen the BCIT student community

Mentor Responsibilities

• Review training materials provided before the program starts
• Participate in the mandatory Mentor Training Session and Program Kickoff event
• Coordinate at least four small group activities done via email, Zoom, etc. (activity plans to be provided)
• Be available to provide guidance and support for up to four mentees
• Sign a Mentor Agreement form
• Complete a feedback survey to help the coordinators improve the program

Mentor Eligibility

To be eligible to become an International Peer Mentor, you must meet all of the following criteria:

• Be a current BCIT student
• Have already completed a minimum of one term at BCIT
• Be in good academic standing
• Abide by the BCIT Student Code of Conduct
• Commit to fulfilling all of the mentor responsibilities

Benefits for Mentors

• Meaningful volunteer experience in a leadership role
• Ability to make a real difference in the lives of new international students by sharing your knowledge and experience as a BCIT student and resident of Canada
• Support from the program coordinators throughout the program
• Great opportunities to network and socialize with other mentors and new students
• An excellent addition to your resume and cover letters that will catch employers’ attention
• A $30 gift card and an official letter of recognition from BCIT & BCITSA upon successful completion of mentoring duties