

## GT Computing Cohort Peer Mentor Application

Thank you for your interest in becoming a mentor through the GT Computing Cohort Peer Mentorship Program. Through this program, peer mentors play a key role in assisting first-year computing students with their transition to the College of Computing and the greater GT community. Mentors serve as campus role models and provide guidance to incoming students as they adjust to college life, become aware of campus culture and resources, and engage in various activities within the College and across campus.

Students interested in becoming a Peer Mentor should complete this application in its entirety. Completed applications can be submitted to Tamar Wilkins, Program Coordinator for Computing Enrollment, in CCB 159 or via email to [tamar.wilkins@cc.gatech.edu](mailto:tamar.wilkins@cc.gatech.edu) (pdfs only).

The program staff will review all applications and schedule interviews for finalists through the summer (interviews can be done in person, by phone, or through video conferencing). Any applicants who are not selected for an interview will be notified via email.

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Please sign and date this section of the application to verify you meet the criteria required to become a peer mentor, and that you agree to all the duties and responsibilities set forth.

Application Criteria
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- I will have completed two (2) semesters at Georgia Tech by May 2020.
- I am on good academic standing with a GPA of a 3.00 or higher
- I can provide the name of a reference that is a Georgia Tech faculty/staff member or a professional from the tech industry.
- I am able to participate in the required Peer Mentorship Training on **Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>** (during the 11am-noon time slot – lunch will be provided).
- I will be able to engage with my cohort of mentees over the summer via electronic communication and social media (starting in late June).
- I am available to serve as a teaching assistant for my cohort's section of CS 1100 this fall ( CS 1100 times: Mon.: 11am – 11:50am, Fri.: 11am - 11:50am, and Fri.: 12:30pm-1:20pm ) being offered - you only have to do one section).
- I will be enrolled in at least six credit hours during the Fall 2020 semester.
- I will be able to dedicate at least two hours a week to my peer mentor responsibilities.

## General Expectation and Responsibilities

Each peer mentor will be responsible for meeting the goals and objectives of the GT Computing Cohort Peer Mentorship Program. This includes communicating with incoming students throughout the summer and fall semesters via social media, email, etc., serve as a TA for CS 1100, and share monthly social experiences with their mentees outside of CS 1100. Our primary focus is the development of first-year students, and to promote their educational and personal development. Peer mentors will be teamed together with 2-3 other mentors and assigned to one of the cohorts for the GT Computing Class of 2024 (one for students starting this summer as part of the iGniTe program, one for each of the fall first-year FASETs, and one just for our incoming CM students).

The following expectations are essential to the success of the Peer Mentor:

- Peer mentors must present themselves as positive role models in their interactions with their mentees, including abiding by all of GT's drug, alcohol, and hazing policies.
- Peer mentors must be on good academic standing
- Assist mentees in becoming acclimated to college life at Tech and within the College of Computing
- Develop professional relationships with mentees that will provide networking opportunities and help students engage in the campus culture and community
- Engage with my cohort of mentees over the summer via electronic communication and social media.
- To assist with grading certain assignments for your assigned section of the CS 1100 course.
- To attend and participate in all required mentor meetings and activities
- To share at least one social experience a month with your mentees
- To promote academic achievement by encouraging mentees to attend classes, participate in on campus activities, etc.
- To refrain from relationships with mentees that extends beyond friendship

I agree that I have read all the above sections and will comply and understand the application requirements mentioned.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**General Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GT email: \_\_\_\_\_ GT ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown City & State or Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Best way to contact you: Phone / Email

Credit Hours Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you successfully completed CS 1100? Yes / No

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Typed Responses and Self-Evaluation**

1. Briefly explain why you chose to attend Tech as a CS or CM major.

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2. Briefly explain your freshman experience, stating where you lived, the organizations you joined, and your initial feeling after your first semester.

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3. Are you a member of any student organization(s) or extracurriculars? If yes, do you hold any leadership positions within any of these organizations? Please list each organization and your role in order of time commitment from greatest to least.

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**Self-Evaluation**

I maintain a positive attitude. (never) 1----2----3----4 ---5 (always)

I follow through on commitments. (never) 1----2----3----4 --- 5 (always)

Please rate your interpersonal skills. (weak) 1----2----3----4 ---5 (strong)

Please rate your ability to problem solve. (weak) 1----2----3----4 --- 5 (strong)

Please rate your self-motivation. (weak) 1----2----3----4----5 (strong)

I work well with others. (never) 1----2----3----4--- 5 (always)

Are you a good campus role model? (never) 1----2----3----4--- 5 (always)

How familiar are you with campus resources? (not very) 1----2----3----4--- 5 (very familiar)

*Additional Comments:*

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I agree that all information contained in this application is accurate and honest.

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Date

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Signature