

University Studies Program

General Education, done better.

WHAT IS A PEER MENTOR?

A Peer Mentor is an experienced UW Oshkosh student who is excited to help you navigate your first year on campus. Peer Mentors are *not* tutors. Instead of being focused on just this course, your Peer Mentor is here to help you learn strategies to be an effective college student, something that will help you throughout your time at UW Oshkosh.

WHAT CAN MY PEER MENTOR DO FOR ME?

Your Peer Mentor will...

- ✓ Be a go-to resource for your questions about campus and college life;
- ✓ Be your guide to the campus, and take you and your classmates to at least two on-or-off-campus events during the course of the semester;
- ✓ Give you relevant, up-to-date information about campus resources and how to access them;
- ✓ Help connect you with campus resources that can help you in your academic life and beyond;
- ✓ Connect you to your classmates and help set the foundation for lifelong friendships;
- ✓ Be a model of successful student behavior;
- ✓ Show you ways to get involved on campus and in the greater Oshkosh community;
- ✓ Serve as a sounding board if you're having troubles in your first-year classes and help you find solutions; and
- ✓ Help ensure that you make the most out of your first semester of college!

HOW SHOULD I GET TO KNOW MY PEER MENTOR?

- ✓ Find his/her name and email on the course syllabus
- ✓ Send an email or make a phone call
- ✓ Talk with him/her before or after class
- ✓ Join a class Facebook group
- ✓ Arrange for a meeting outside of class
- ✓ Walk with him/her to or from class
- ✓ Invite him/her to have lunch or coffee with you (if your Peer Mentor doesn't invite you first!)