

MENTORING WITH THE SMF: SUPPORTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ASPIRING PROFESSIONALS

The Social Mobility Foundation (SMF) is a charity that aims to make a practical improvement in social mobility for high-achieving young people from low-income backgrounds. With the help of professionals, we support thousands of young people every year, who have the ability to flourish in the top universities and professions but who lack the encouragement and networks to help them get there.

Every SMF student has the opportunity to access our four pillars of support:

- A mentor from their chosen profession
- Work placements
- University application advice
- Professional skills development sessions

How to get involved

As an e-mentor you would support a sixth former by giving them the opportunity to have a 1:1 relationship with a professional in their chosen career sector who can communicate with them via email at least every two weeks. Mentors support students in a number of ways, such as by increasing their understanding of their desired career and professional life. The mentoring relationship is extremely valuable in helping to guide mentees through their time on the SMF programme, their university applications, and in helping them to explore their professional interests further.

Sign-up

To be a mentor you will need to have at least 6 months of experience of working within your professional sector, as increasing knowledge of the career sector will be the basis of the mentoring relationship. We also accept PhD students for our 'Biology and Chemistry' sector and third year medical students and above for our 'Medicine' sector.

If you are interested in signing up please complete the following form:

<https://socialmobility.tfaforms.net/f/smf-mentoring>

All mentors will need to undergo an Enhanced DBS check, an easy process that can be completed online via our portal and a Zoom meeting to verify your ID.

If you have any questions, please contact mentors@socialmobility.org.uk, or read more about us at www.socialmobility.org.uk.