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## Alumni Career Network

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In 2014, The City Tech Alumni Association launched the Alumni Career Network (ACN) mentoring program, designed with the busy career mentor and busy senior student in mind.

Mentors will help students in their senior year of college by guiding them through a critical stage in their college career: the time between their last months at City Tech and taking their first steps onto the career ladder.

### Mission Statement

The Alumni Career Network matches seniors with professional alumni mentors who currently work in the field that the student is endeavoring to enter. The program is designed to provide guidance and impart industry-specific knowledge on a one-to-one basis along with traditional job-seeking skills. Overall, the program is focused on facilitating students' entry into their chosen career paths. Specific focus is given to both the development of presentation skills used in professional settings and the social etiquette required in a business environment.

### Program Structure

The program will run for a full academic year from August to May (9 months).

Aside from one-on-one communications and meetings between mentor and student, there are only three corporate ACN meetings throughout the academic year, as follows:

- 1) Late August Kick-off meeting to include a LinkedIn Workshop
- 2) Mid December Mid-year check-in to include mock-interview sessions
- 3) Late May Celebratory close-out of the program to include a class on business lunch etiquette.

### Eligibility for Mentors

- Alumnus of City Tech
- Submission of Mentor Application and resumé
- Interview with ACN program committee
- Participation in mentor workshop

### Eligibility for Students

- Serious commitment to partnering with a mentor
- Submission of a one-page essay describing career and educational goals
- Submission of Student Mentee Application