

YOUR MENTOR WILL BE A FRIEND

We encourage you to visit our office to apply for the program or go to our website: www.jalc.edu/diversity-and-inclusion, Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Room C203A, 1-618-985-3741 Ext. 8586.

ADVANCE! Program

Name _____

JALC ID _____

Year of H.S. Graduation _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ ZIP Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____

E-mail Address _____

Major _____

Career Goal _____

Male Female

Check each box that applies:

I would like to have a mentor to help me while I pursue my educational and career goals.

I would like information about tutoring services available from the Student Success Center.

I need help in the following area(s) _____.

I would like information about Job and Career Services

CLIP THIS FORM AND RETURN IT BY MAIL OR IN PERSON TO:

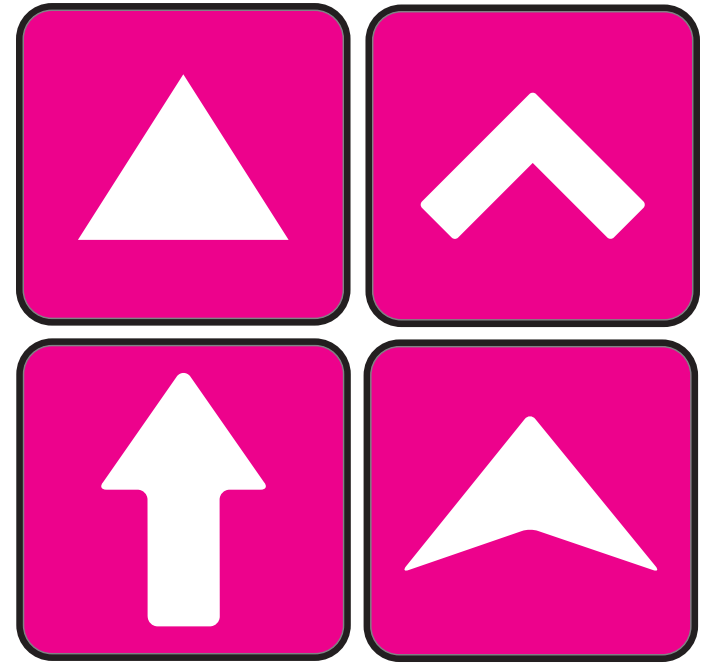
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John A. Logan College

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FACULTY & STAFF MENTORING PROGRAM *at* JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE

ADVANCE!

It is often the influence of others
that helps us develop our true potential and ADVANCE!.

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- Are you already part of a TRIO Peer Mentor program or any mentoring program on campus?
- Do you think this program will be a useful additional involvement/resource?
- Have you wished that there was some way to connect to someone or an office where you can receive a personalized guidance with your adjustment to college?
- Would you welcome a special relationship to ease your decision-making, goal setting or problem solving?
- Would you enjoy meeting, socializing and studying with other students?
- Would you benefit from tutoring?

If so, the ADVANCE! Program might be RIGHT for you!

ADVANCE! is a faculty and staff/student mentoring program. It is designed to provide a personalized touch to help students achieve academic and career goals, as well as facilitate and enhance personal, social and leadership development. The ADVANCE! Program provides the sharing of known resources, expertise, skills, perspectives and proficiencies by an experienced individual. It creates space for students to gain new and different perspectives on issues that concern them and to develop strategies and skills to succeed.

In strong collaboration with the Student Success Center, Career Services, Advisement and other units on campus, the ADVANCE! Program is an additional opportunity for students to experience a greater sense of community on campus and discover the right direction for a successful future.

Why should I become involved in ADVANCE!?

Starting college life naturally generates excitement as well as anxiety. There are issues commonly experienced by students during this move that can sometimes pose major challenges to studying, playing, socializing, living and overall college and career success.

How does the ADVANCE! Program work?

ADVANCE! helps student address and manage challenges, overcome obstacles and adapt to a new environment with the help of an experienced and trusted faculty, staff member or upper student.

What activities does ADVANCE! offer?

The ADVANCE! Program offers an opportunity for students to meet regularly with mentors and engage in a number of activities that are non-intimidating and reassuring. Some of these activities are planned and structured by the ADVANCE! Program. Sometimes students and mentors coordinate free and low cost activities on campus and develop creative

ones on their own in the community that may include having lunch together, attending on-campus cultural and social events, attending free concerts, watching movies, exercising together, or just sharing insights into real world experiences.

What is the mentor's role?

John A. Logan College faculty and staff mentors volunteer to serve as role models, trusted staff and friends for students. Mentors give guidance and advice on a personal and professional level that help students accomplish their goals. The directions they provide students also expands their opportunities for a successful future.

How often do I meet with my mentor?

You and your assigned mentor will have the freedom to choose the level of involvement. One-on-one, non-judgmental meetings are the most valuable mentoring interaction. The duration of your meetings is flexible. It can vary in the amount of time spent together based on the type of contact or the kind of issues you are addressing. Mentors are encouraged to contact their students and to interact with them at least once every two weeks by phone calls, e-mail, by meeting in person, sending a greeting card or writing letters.

How do I get involved with ADVANCE!?

Complete and return the form provided, visit the Diversity and Inclusion Office on the second floor, Room C203A, or call 618-985-3741, Ext. 8586

Our mentors are faculty, staff and upper student volunteers who have been at John A. Logan College for a while and who want to support and encourage students in their adjustment process. They provide the following benefits:

- Help students adjust to the culture and environment of John A. Logan College
- Assist you in developing strategies and skills to succeed
- Increase and strengthen students' college knowledge and effective habits of mind
- Form stronger ties with the Logan community
- Support cross-cultural learning
- Help you develop more specific academic, career and leadership goals
- Provide new and different perspectives on issues that concern you
- Help you become motivated to achieve at high standards
- Provide a forum to discuss professional issues
- Provide networking opportunities and advice
- Provide insight into real world experiences
- Help you build self-confidence
- Build better citizens through responsibility and service