

2008 MENTORING WORKSHOP

Organized by the RSA Education Committee

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RSA is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Mentoring Workshop on Tuesday, July 1 at 12:30pm. What should you seek in a quality mentoring relationship? Where do you get advice and guidance on grant and manuscript writing? Where and when can you get guidance on developing oral communications skills? How do you get and stay organized, manage conflicts, authorship issues, and your time? What if my mentor/mentoree partnership isn't working? And what all is involved in "professional development" anyway? These are some of the myriad questions that may come up as a mentoring relationship unfolds.

First, a healthy sense of a quality mentoring experience begins with understanding who the beneficiaries are: the mentor, the mentee, the Department as well as the Institution. A quality experience benefits all. While the types of mentoring are very diverse and fluid, they each accomplish defined goals, whether they are for skills/technical training, or whether they are long term or short term, informal or formal, job search-oriented, confidant oriented, and so on. Each has their place and come in and out of the mentee's experience as necessary. This workshop is intended to highlight important yet sometimes under-appreciated features of a healthy mentoring partnership, what the benefits are, what the mentor's and mentee's responsibilities should be, how to start, maintain and end such a partnership, and more. The considerations can be bewildering so forethought and advanced planning are crucial to effectively managing the personal, professional, and practical matters that make up this partnership. This workshop should prompt you to evaluate where you are and where you can go from there.

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~ R. S. V. P. ~

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_____ YES, I will attend the Mentoring Workshop on Tuesday, July 1 at 12:30pm

Anyone can attend, but Box Lunches will be provided only to those who RSVP.

Please R.S.V.P. as soon as possible, or by June 5 at the latest

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