

Mentoring Program Application

Program Information

The USNC professional mentoring program is intended to be an opportunity for emerging professionals to enter into a one-on-one relationship with a more experienced member of the USNC community for the purpose of retention, development and overall success.

Whereas training is typically a significant volume of information passed from one to many, mentoring is a partnership in which two individuals set their own agenda, and the mentor provides guidance to the protégé in order to assist in achieving the latter's goals. A mentoring program would foster the growth of emerging standards and conformity assessment professionals and enable them to be successful in their endeavors, whether their goals are to take on leadership roles in US or International programs or to be successful contributing experts or delegates. The mentoring program can be seen as a way to retain new standards and conformity assessment professionals and as a means of filling the pipeline for future leaders in the USNC.

Time Commitment

The program will span the full academic year. Program participants are asked to hold monthly calls with your mentor or protégé, however time spent shall not exceed five hours per month. There will be a program kick-off as well as two formal check-in with program administrators, one around the mid-point and one as the program wraps-up.

Application Questions

We're thrilled you're interested in participating in our program! In order to better pair you, please provide us with some general information about your professional experience.

How can we reach you?

1. Please tell us your name:
2. What is your preferred email address?
3. Best phone number to reach you:

Tell us about your professional experience.

4. Who is your employer?
5. What is your job title?
6. How long have you been involved with standards and/or conformity assessment work?
7. What is your involvement?

- ☐ Standards (Please note what percentage of your work is related to standards: %)
- ☐ Conformity Assessment (Please note what percentage of your work is related to CA: %)
- ☐ Both (Please provide the percentage breakdown. Standards: % CA: %)

8. Please describe your involvement with the USNC. (List any TAG memberships, IEC roles, and how long you've been a USNC member, etc.)

Share Your Interest in the Professional Mentorship Program.

9. Are you interested in participating in this program as a:

- ☐ Mentor
- ☐ Protégé
- ☐ Both

Why are you interested in the USNC Mentoring Program?

10. (FOR PROTÉGÉS ONLY) In which area of the standards process/involvement are you most in need of mentorship?

- ☐ Understanding and navigating the organization and people
- ☐ Working through specific standard committee/working group
- ☐ Gaining Domain/industry expertise
- ☐ Growth and participation opportunities
- ☐ Learn more about the industry
- ☐ Learn more about IEC
- ☐ Other (please explain):

Comments:

11. (FOR MENTORS ONLY) In which area of the standards process/involvement are you able to provide mentoring?

- ☐ Understanding and navigating the organization and people
- ☐ Working through specific standard committee/working group
- ☐ Gaining Domain/industry expertise
- ☐ Growth and participation opportunities
- ☐ Other (please explain):

Comments:

12. (FOR BOTH MENTORS/PROTEGES) Would you prefer to be paired with a mentor/protégé in your field of expertise, if possible?

- ☐ Yes, I would prefer to be paired with someone in my industry
- ☐ No, I would prefer to be paired with someone OUTSIDE my industry
- ☐ I have no preference

Please share your supervisor's contact information below.

Note: USNC will contact program participants' supervisors for recognition purposes only.

Supervisor Name:

Supervisor Email:

Please submit your application to Mack Connors (maconnors@ansi.org).