

Guidelines for Asia Pacific Leadership Program Mentees EWCA Mentoring Program

The EWCA Mentoring Program provides EWC participant mentees with valuable field experience in their areas of interest that contribute to their professional growth. Mentees learn about the mentor's work culture and environment and gain insights about the operation of a business or organization.

This experience allows the mentee to observe and apply leadership, organizational and communication skills in a multicultural environment. After meeting with your mentor, you will have a better understanding of the work ethics of mentor's profession, including the modes of communication, leadership in the work culture, challenges and rewards of the profession.

Because of your heavy Asia Pacific Leadership Program (APLP) schedule and the substantial amount of time you will be travelling, you will have limited time for meetings with your mentor. We will be scheduling an orientation soon after you arrive in Honolulu and a Mentor/Mentee networking event after you travel to the US mainland. In addition to these two events, one face-to-face visit with your mentor is required. Additional meetings or contact through telephone/Skype calls and email exchanges are encouraged as you and your mentor mutually agree. And we hope your experience may develop into a longer term association with your mentor.

Many mentors know very little about the East-West Center and the APLP program, so if you have time, please introduce them to the Center and APLP. We encourage you to invite your mentor to EWC events and activities as well.

Expectations for Mentees

If you agree to participate in the mentoring program, you are making a commitment to act in a professional manner and are accepting the responsibilities and obligations required for successfully completing the program. First and foremost, you are representing the Center in our local community so please be responsible and professional at all times. We also require you to complete a short online evaluation form at the end of the semester. We will remind you of this obligation by email, please complete your evaluation in a timely manner.

Be considerate about your mentor's busy work schedule and insure you make all appointments on time. Of course, you should get your own transportation to go to the mentor's office, perhaps using Oahu's award-winning public bus system or taxi/ride-share. To find out about bus routes and schedule, check out The Bus website <http://www.thebus.org> or call The Bus Information Line at 848-5555.

Please send your mentor a hand written thank you card at the end of the program.
Please contact us for any questions or concerns.

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