

SSRPeers: A Peer Mentoring Program for SSRP students

Estimated Time: 30 min - 1 hour

Completion: Between July 6 - 11th, 2023



Goals

- ★ Get to know your assigned “SSRPeer”
- ★ Talk about how things are feeling at this stage of the program
- ★ Consider where you and your SSRPeer overlap and where you may be able to support one another

Icebreaker Questions

Time: ~30 minutes

Goal: Get to know each other and open lines of communication regarding professional and non-professional interests.

Notes: All of these questions are starting points for discussion. Feel free to pick and choose which ones you’d like to tackle. *The first part is designed for you to get to know each other, and the second part is designed to identify topics of concern, which can be delved further into during sponsored coffee sessions.*

Intro:

1. Share your name, pronouns, track, and where you call home.

Personal/Get-to-know questions:

2. Share a little bit about where you’re from. How does it compare to where we are now (the upper east side)?

3. Why did you chose to participate in the SSRP?

4. What are some activities you enjoy outside of science?

5. Would you describe yourself as an introvert? Extrovert? Both? Why?

6. Why do you think Zahin and Lizzie chose you match you?

SSRP-related questions:

What is a source of excitement for you right now?

What is a source of worry for you right now?

What do you hope to learn this week from SSRP?

What are you looking forward to the most?

What is something that you learned in your track/core courses this week that surprised or challenged you?

Goals questions:

1. What are you interested in studying in college? What are you looking for in colleges? What does a successful college experience look like for you?

Reading Discussion Questions

Failure in Science Is Frequent and Inevitable--and We Should Talk More about It

1. What about this article resonated with you?
2. Share a recent “failure” from your time in the SSRP.
3. Reflect on how discussing the failure felt to you and why.

Planning for the Future

Discuss your schedule and consider a day/time that works for weekly meeting. Discuss how to best reach each other.