THE GUM PROGRAM

(GUM) “Sticking Students Together for Success”
WHY GUM?

- Campus-wide mentoring initiative
- Inclusive of all Bruins especially those from diverse and marginalized backgrounds
- Prepare students for the graduate school experience
- Prepare students for more competitive job market
- Facilitate Grad and Undergrad interactions
- Develop leadership and mentorship skills
- Consistent and reliable mentors
OUR MISSION

To foster postsecondary success through mentorship relationships between graduate and undergraduate students across campus. GUM will provide accessible resources to empower Mentors and Mentees through interpersonal connections, academic and career development.
OUR VISION

A bridge between undergraduate and graduate students of diverse backgrounds and career paths at UCLA. By establishing a cycle of mentoring, we are creating a community that values holistic development and experiential knowledge, as well as providing a supportive environment for academic and career success.
OUR VALUES

Holistic Development
Experiential Knowledge
Mentorship
Empowerment
Community
WHAT IS THE GUM PROGRAM?

- Pilot Program, launched in Spring 2014
- Newly institutionalized student-led program with a unique partnership between Students, Graduate Division, and GSRC
- Femtor relationship with the BEST Grant Program
- Workshop series for undergraduates who wish to learn more about graduate school in the following fields:
- One to one match with a graduate or professional student
  - Based on academic field and consideration for other significant characteristics (ranked in the application)
- Modeled after: University of Pennsylvania and the AAP, Graduate Mentoring and Research Programs, Grad Prep
WHY BE A FEM/MENTEE?

 ✓ Demystification of academic and career pathways through genuine relationships

 ✓ 1:1 mentoring experience throughout an academic year, and beyond

 ✓ Holistic development (personal, academics, and career focus)

 ✓ Networking opportunities
FEM/MENTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

• Utilize your GUM opportunities
  – Attend GUM Kick Off event, Unity Building Event (mid-program), 5 out of the 6 workshops on graduate school, other supplementary workshops/events
  – Use GRE prep book to prepare for the exam
  – Develop your personal statement and resume for graduate school applications
  – Provide feedback (e.g. pre- and post-program surveys) to help assess outcomes and improve GUM

*Guidelines modified from University of Pennsylvania’s Graduate/Undergraduate Mentoring Program*
FEM/MENTEE RESPONSIBILITIES CONT.

- Utilize your Fem/Mentor!
  - Be responsive
  - Maintain open, timely communication about expectations, needs, and timelines
  - Provide a draft of a resume and personal statement to your mentor
  - Ask fem/mentor questions about graduate school
WHY BE A FEM/MENTOR?

✓ Meaningful connections with undergraduate students

✓ Development of mentoring skills

✓ Sharing your experiences and knowledge with undergrads who are the future of your field

✓ Networking opportunities

✓ Leadership opportunities
BENEFITS OF BEING A FEM/MENTOR

• Develop, use, and refine your mentoring skills in a program with a reasonable time commitment

• Leadership opportunities

• Gain familiarity with campus resources

• Develop professional development skills, receive specialized training opportunities, and learn to translate your skills for your future career pathway

• Connect to the larger campus community

• It’s fun! Mentoring is important... AND really enjoyable!
FEM/MENTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

• Attend networking events to meet other gummies

• Communicate with fem/mentee regularly (1-2 hr/wk) through email, in person, by attending workshops, etc.

• Assist fem/mentee in writing and reviewing a personal statement and resume

• Answer questions and provide insight about field of interest and graduate school

• Optional: create and run your own workshop for mentees
## PROGRAM TIMELINE: 2018-2019

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GUM ADVISORY BOARD
BENEFITS OF BEING ON THE ADVISORY BOARD

• Develop programming, organization, and collaboration skills
• Gain familiarity with campus resources
• Ensure that future Bruins can also benefit from the GUM program
COMMITTEE MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

• Attend organizational meetings during winter and spring quarters

• Coordinate with other committee/board members to plan events, etc.

• Communicate in an effective and timely manner to ensure a smooth running program

• Lead by example—if you are also a current mentor/mentee, utilize the GUM program to its fullest extent!
NEXT STEPS

- Complete online application found at www.gum.ucla.edu  (*deadline to apply is 11/11/18*)
- Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/GraduateUndergraduateMentorship
- Follow us on Instagram: thegumprogram
- Share, share, share
- Become a part of the GUM family!

*We’ll be sending out acceptance notifications in late Fall 2018 or early Winter 2019*
FOR MORE INFORMATION…

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QUESTIONS?