



PLC AMP Sample Connection Roadmap

This roadmap offers an **optional guide** for your connection with your PLC mentee over the semester. The goal is to create a meaningful, supportive relationship with 2-3 scheduled meetings, while maintaining flexibility to adapt based on your and your mentee's needs. Each meeting can focus on different aspects of personal and professional development, helping the student gain clarity and confidence as they prepare for their future.

Meeting 1: Initial Introduction & Goal Setting

Objective: Establish rapport, get to know each other, and define goals for your connection.

AGENDA	
Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Share your professional background, career journey, and how you got to where you are today.○ Invite your mentee to share their academic background, career aspirations, and personal interests.
Expectations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Discuss how often and how you will communicate (e.g., email, phone, virtual meetings).○ Clarify what your mentee hopes to get out of the program (e.g., career advice, networking, industry insights).
Goal Setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Help your mentee identify 2-3 goals they want to focus on this semester. These can be related to career exploration, skill development, or networking.
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Set a time for your second meeting and encourage your mentee to come prepared with specific questions or topics they'd like to discuss.

Sample Conversation Starters

- What motivated you to join PLC AMP?
- What career paths are you currently exploring?
- What are the key areas you'd like support with during our meetings?

Meeting 2: Career Exploration & Advice

Objective: Dive deeper into your mentee’s career interests, provide practical advice, and share networking opportunities.

AGENDA	
Check-in on Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Ask your mentee how they are progressing toward the goals set in your first meeting.○ Discuss any challenges they may be facing and provide guidance or resources to help.
Career Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Share insights from your industry and discuss the current trends or challenges in your field.○ Offer advice on career paths, and suggest ways your mentee can gain relevant experience (e.g., internships, volunteering, skill-building).
Networking & Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Offer to introduce your mentee to individuals in your network or suggest professional organizations or events they can join.○ Share any tips you have on building a professional network, attending career fairs, or applying for jobs.
Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Help your mentee outline concrete steps they can take to move toward their career goals before the end of the semester (e.g., drafting a resume, applying for internships, setting up informational interviews).

Sample Conversation Starters

- What specific industries or companies are you interested in?
- Have you explored any networking opportunities or internships so far?
- What skills do you think you need to develop to be competitive in your field?

Meeting 3: Reflection & Future Planning

Objective: Reflect on the progress made, provide final advice for the semester, and discuss long-term career plans.

AGENDA	
Reflection on Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Review the goals you set at the beginning of the semester. Celebrate achievements and discuss areas for continued growth.
Career Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Discuss the mentee’s career timeline (e.g., post-graduation plans, internships, or full-time job applications).○ Offer insights on how they can continue to develop their skills and network in the coming months.
Advice for the Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Share any additional advice or resources you think will be helpful as they move forward.○ Encourage your mentee to maintain their momentum by setting new goals for the next semester or summer.
Stay Connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If you and your mentee would like to stay in touch beyond the formal semester program, discuss how you can maintain your relationship (e.g., periodic check-ins, LinkedIn connection)

Sample Conversation Starters

- What are your next steps after this semester?
- How do you feel about your career path now compared to the start of the semester?
- What new skills or experiences are you looking to gain before graduation?

Additional Tips for Meetings:

1. **Prepare in Advance:** Encourage your mentee to come prepared with questions or topics to discuss. Likewise, think about ways you can support their current challenges and goals.
 2. **Be Flexible:** If the structured meeting approach doesn't feel right, allow the conversation to flow naturally. Some of the best insights come from unscripted discussions.
 3. **Provide Resources:** Share articles, books, podcasts, or tools that helped you in your career journey, and that could be useful to your mentee.
 4. **Encourage Open Dialogue:** Create a safe space where your mentee feels comfortable sharing their concerns or uncertainties.
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By following this roadmap, you can build a strong, supportive relationship with your mentee while providing valuable career insights and personal guidance. The roadmap is flexible, so feel free to adapt it to fit the needs of your mentee and your availability.