

The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights

MentorShip FAQ's

- Q. What is the final date for applications?
- A. 30th November 2022 is the date by which applications must be submitted for mentoring during academic year 2022-23.
- Q. When will I know if my application has been successful?
- A. Applicants will be notified by 5th December 2022 whether they have been successful or not.
- Q. What is a Sponsor?
- A. A Sponsor is a member of the academic staff at your University who is happy to endorse your application.
- Q. What is pairing?
- A. It is the process by which the Shipwrights' Company will 'pair' a successful applicant with a suitable Shipwright mentor, taking into account the applicant's maritime interests and the mentor's area of professional knowledge and expertise.
- Q. What if I don't have any professional qualifications?
- A. Don't worry. This question is to enable mature students who are moving from industry to studying at level 6 for a 'top-up' to a Bachelor's degree to list professional qualifications in lieu of other academic qualifications or attainment in year's 1 and 2 Bachelor's degree examinations and assessments.
- Q. What experience will my Shipwright mentor have?
- A. Shipwright mentors are drawn from a cross-section of the maritime sector. Their industry knowledge and experience will be as relevant to the mentees maritime interests and aspirations as possible.
- Q. What can I expect from my mentor?
- A. Please see our 1-page 'how to be a great mentor' document. If your application is successful, we will explain in more detail what will be expected of your mentor.
- Q. What will be expected of me as a mentee?
- A. Please see our 1-page 'how to be a great mentee' document. If your application is successful, we will explain in more detail what will be expected of you as a mentee.

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- Q. When will the mentoring relationship start?
- A. The mentoring relationship will commence formally as soon as possible after the start of the academic year. However, for those who successfully apply earlier it is expected that mentors and mentees will have spent some time beforehand getting to know each other.
- Q. How long with the mentoring relationship last?
- A. The mentoring relationship will last for the duration of the academic year.
- Q. When will the mentoring relationship end?
- A. In the context of the *MentorShip* scheme, the mentoring relationship will come to an end at the conclusion of the mentee's academic studies ('Graduation'). At the point of Graduation, the mentee will be an Alumni of *MentorShip*.
- Q. Can I continue in a mentoring relationship with my Shipwright mentor after graduation?
- A. Yes, if the mentor and mentee wish to continue with a mentoring relationship post-Graduation. However, it will be a private matter between the mentor and mentee and fall outside the auspices of *MentorShip*.
- Q. Will *MentorShip* help me improve my grades?
- A. MentorShip is not an academic mentoring scheme. Nor is it a substitute for academic tutoring. It is possible that as a result of the mentoring relationship you might develop a different perspective on your studies, which might ultimately be reflected in your grades. However, the Shipwrights' Company does not guarantee, explicitly or otherwise, that you will achieve any particular examination results because of of your participation in MentorShip.
- Q. Can *MentorShip* help me get a job after graduation?
- A. No. *MentorShip* is designed as a window onto the sector, not a doorway into it. The aim of the *MentorShip* scheme is to provide advice, guidance and support to University Students as they look to move into the world of work. *MentorShip* is not focussed on securing future employment for mentees.
- Q. What is The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights?
- A. The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights is a City of London Livery Company. To find out more about the Shipwrights' Company, please visit the Company's website at www.shipwrights.co.uk