

The **ACerS Student Mentor Program** is designed to equip student leaders in materials science with the insight, tools and connections necessary to make a lasting impact in their future career.

If you are a **student seeking to gain technical expertise** in your field of study, professional development skills, practical advice, encouragement or support, then please consider applying for the program. **Space is limited!** Sign up early to ensure a spot in this year's program.

If you have been **successful in your materials science career** and are seeking to give back in any of these areas, then please consider applying to be a mentor. You will be leaving a lasting impact on an amazing materials science student!

"What attracts me to participate in the mentoring program is just giving back to my home organization, having been a member of ACerS now since graduate school," Steyer says. "There's so many life decisions that are happening there [in school], so having an opportunity to mentor and partner with others who are going through that is really exciting." - Todd Steyer

"You can learn a lot in a classroom, you can learn a lot through paper and pencil—but it's the life experiences that you can't necessarily learn unless you either do them or someone has done them, and they're sharing them with you." - Sara Dockins

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Mentee Sara Dockins, right, met her mentor Todd Steyer for the first time in person at MS&T24 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Visit www.ceramics.org/mentorship for more details and to sign up to be a mentor or mentee with the ACerS Student Mentor Program!