

Establishing a Mentorship Program at BU Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine (GSDM)



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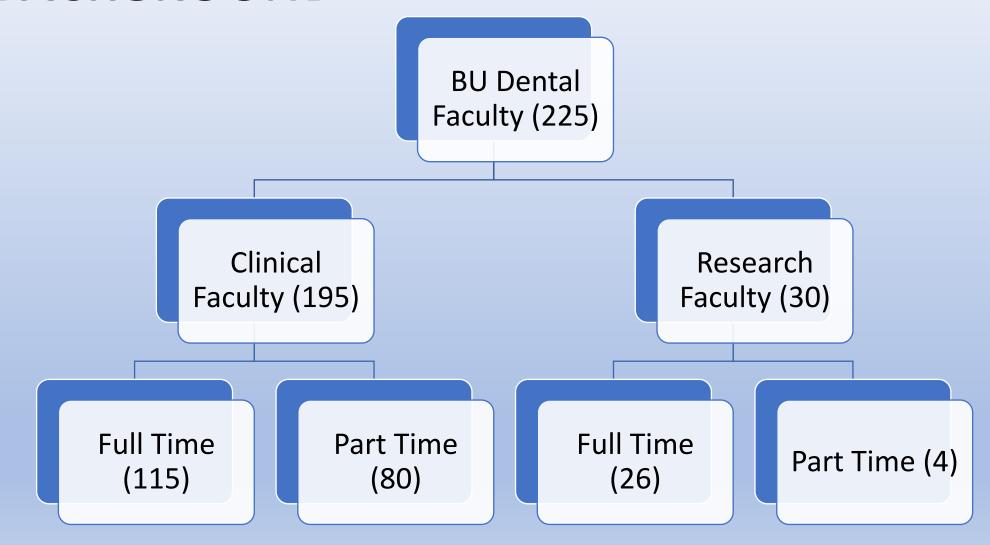


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BACKGROUND



PROBLEM

GSDM faculty need guidance and mentorship opportunities to facilitate engagement, collaboration, promotion, personal and professional development

Why is mentorship important?



Satisfaction



Productivity



Retention



Recruitment



Diversity



CODA

METHODS: Study Design

Qualitative semi-structured group interviews

Guides for interviews of mentors and mentees differed

Mentorship Questionnaire

As a part of the Boston University Midcareer Faculty Leadership midcareer faculty have been tasked with aiding the Goldman Setting up a faculty mentorship program. As part of the initial in problem statement, we would be grateful if you could answer as you can. Please forward this document by e-mail to: We thank you	
	nat the material you share with us will remain confidention of the group and will not be shared with BUSDM administration of group.
1.	How long have you been in practice? How long have you been on faculty at BUSDM?
2.	At what point in your career would you describe yourse Which academic track are you on?
3.	Do you see yourself as a mentor or a mentee (or both)?
4.	Are you interested in mentorship? Why or why not? What are the barriers to mentorship?

METHODS: Study Population

BU Dental Faculty Members

- Mentees and Mentors
- Early through Late Career faculty
- Clinician-Educators and Clinician-Scientists
- GSDM leadership

Dental Faculty at another institution





RESULTS: Mentee Needs

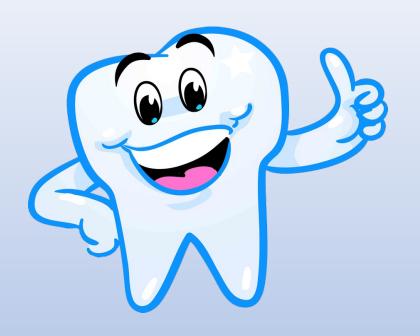
- Trained mentors
 - Clinical Education, Service, Research, & Career guidance
- Networking opportunities
- Protected Time
- Need is greater among clinician educators

RESULTS: Mentor Needs

- Protected Time
- Funding
- Mentorship Training
- Recognition in academic promotion

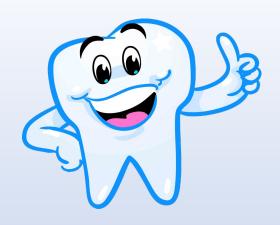
Proposal

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1. One-to-One Mentor/Mentee Match

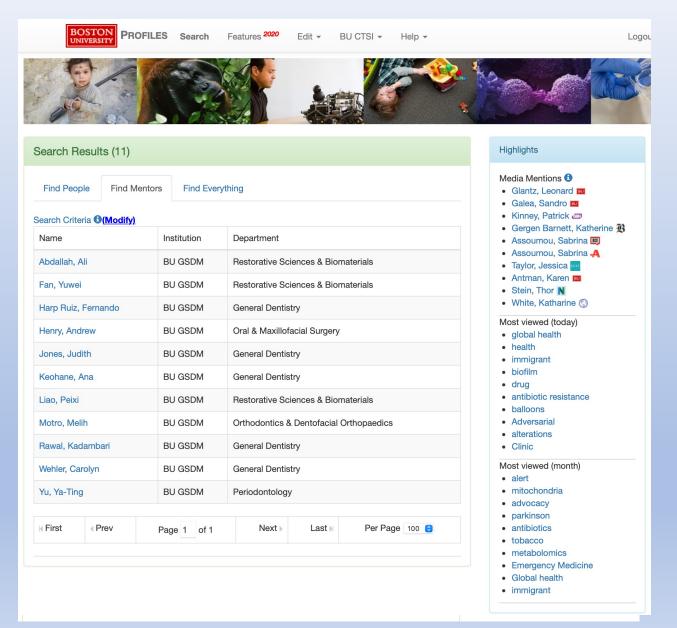
2. Group Cohorts

One-to-One Mentoring

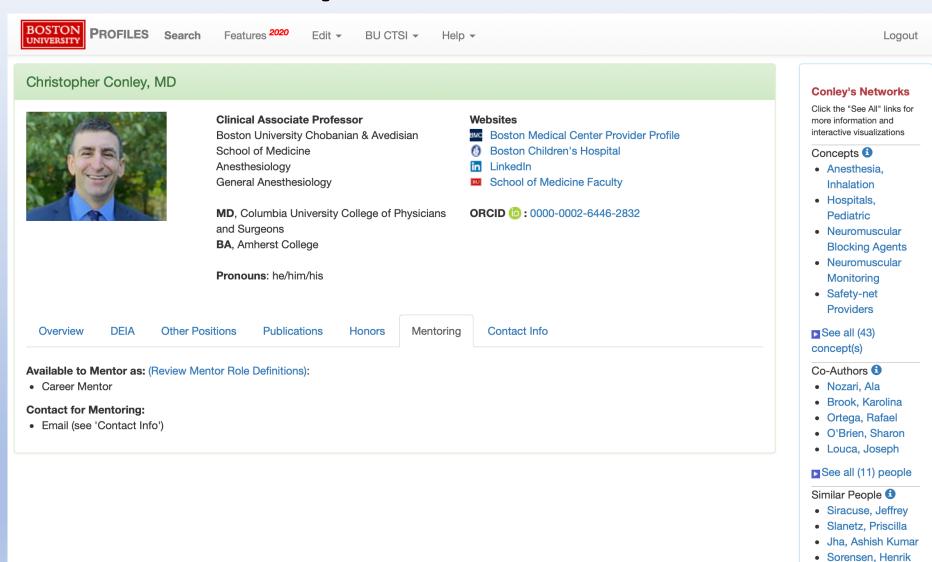
- Finding a mentor
- Faculty Connector
 - Orient during onboarding
 - Oversee mentoring
 - Identify resources
- Annual survey to identify gaps
- BU Profiles



Increase Use of BU Profiles



Example CASOM Profile



Farber, Alik
See all (60) people
Same Department 3
Espanola, Cynthia

Group Cohorts

- Small faculty groups meet quarterly for 1 hour
 - Grouped by promotional tracks & full-time vs. part-time
 - Ensure diversity of group members
 - Topics:
 - Understanding academia & promotion
 - How to engage in research & community projects
- Faculty retreats, dinners, conferences



Mentorship Training

- Effective mentoring can be learned
- Existing evidence-based mentoring programs are available

Requires:

- Faculty need dedicated and protected time for mentor training
- Funding needed for faculty mentor training

"Entering Mentoring" Curricula

Center for Mentorship Education in Research (CIMER)
University of Wisconsin-Madison

- Customizable evidence-based curricula
- Structured around competencies & learning objectives
- Many elements apply to clinician-educator mentors
- Faculty Connector to lead



Entering Mentoring-Example

Maintaining Effective Communication (60m)

- Review of case: Giving Feedback
- Communication style test
- Active Listening through role play
- Share strategies for overcoming barriers to communication



Sample 8-hour Training

8-hours of training divided into two 4-hour sessions

Entering Mentoring Curriculum

Organized and led by Faculty Connector

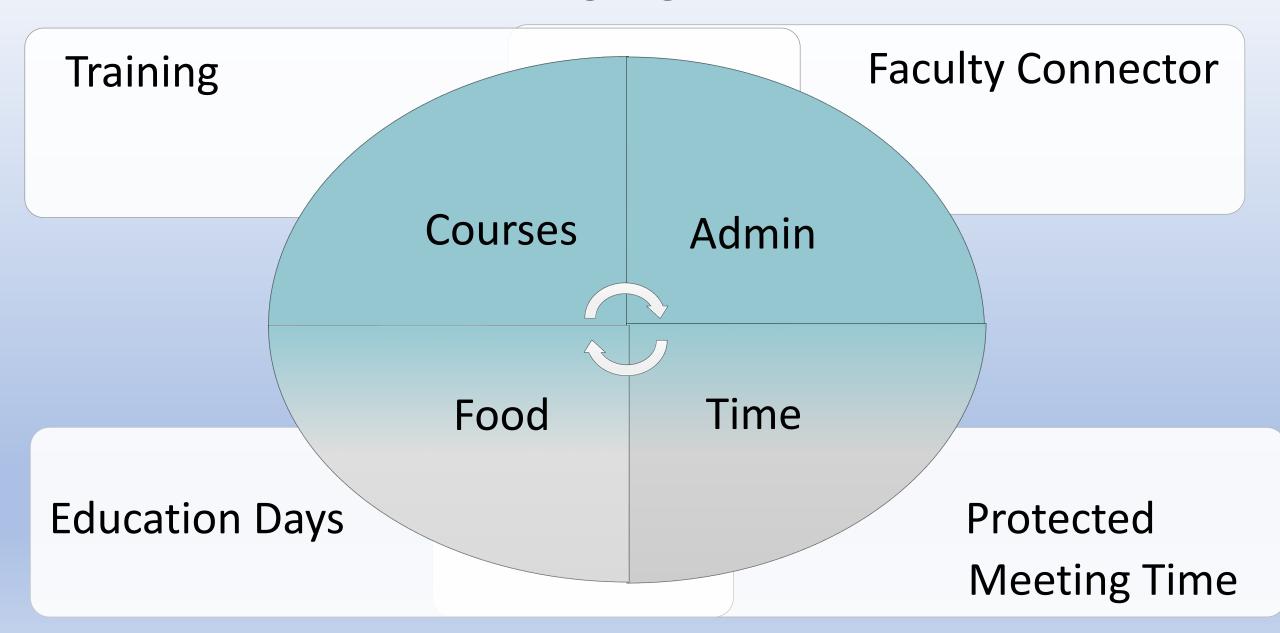


Metrics and Methods to Measure Success

- Monitor mentorship relationships over time
- Satisfaction surveys
- Productivity: Publications and grants
- Feedback
- Promotions
- Retention & Recruitment of diverse Faculty



BUDGET



Potential Challenges

- Protecting time
- Setting expectations
- Implementing incentives
- Training mentors
- Matching mentors & mentees
- Creating networking opportunities





Benefits

Collegiality

Sustainability

Inclusiveness

Innovation

Pride & belonging

Satisfaction

Productivity

Retention & Recruitment

...ultimately academically and financially benefit the institution





The SMILE program

- Encourage senior faculty involvement in advancing junior faculty careers
- Encourage junior faculty to set goals and express areas of required support
- Mentoring will eventually become a valued part of the institution's culture and will contribute to success

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