WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
C² PIPELINE

Browse this directory and read about each of the mentors listed. During IPE planning time, use this catalog as a tool to help build and guide your project! When you are struggling – or failing to reach a consensus – reach out to these individuals for advice and counsel.

This catalog is designed to give you access to professionals in the Detroit Metro area who are committed to bettering the lives of each and every member of our community. These mentors are volunteering their time and energy to help make your project the best it can be! So take advantage of this opportunity to network with each of these mentors. Ask them logistical questions about your project, presentation and poster... and feel free to pick their brain about their career field and education background!

Helpful tips:

1. Write down your questions before you contact the mentor
2. Assign someone in your group to be the speaker and another individual to take notes
3. Ask questions specific to the mentor’s background
4. Introduce yourself, your group members and your project idea
5. Always be respectful – you catch more bees with honey! 😊
Meagan Brooks
Personal Trainer/ Wellness Coach
Win With Meag
B.A.- Psychology - Kalamazoo College
Master of Social Work – University of Michigan

Brandon Wilmot
Exercise Physiologist
St. Mary Mercy Hospital
B.A. – Exercise Science – Central Michigan University

Jacklyn Price
Free Lancer
JJ Productions
B.A..- Communications – Wayne State University

Jeffrey Herbstman
Senior Data Scientist
City of Detroit
B.S., M.S., PhD – Applied Physics
Vanderbilt & University of Michigan

Banhpanreet Kaur
Computer Science & Mathematics Major
Wayne State University

NPC Competitor, Detroit Free Press
Marathon Race Ambassador, Fitness Instructor, Consultant on healthy living.


I have a background in Film Production. I currently work as a freelancer for JJ Productions, which is my company. I have a passion for screenwriting, cinematography and editing.

I have a PhD in Applied Physics and have worked in biomedical engineering, biophysics and biochemistry labs. More recently, I have worked for tech companies and the city government doing data analysis. I have been a mentor for the WSU Warriors College Experience for the last several years as well.

Valeria Ruffin
Special Education Teacher
Ecorse Public Schools
B.A. – Eastern Michigan University
M.A. – Wayne State University

This is my 3rd year volunteering with the C2 Pipeline Program, and I love working with high school students interested in science and technology careers. I worked for 4.5 years in a community health center in Detroit at three of their locations. I currently see family medicine patients, do telepsychiatry with patients in rural community health centers, work as a medical director, and teach 1st year med students.

Stephen Warnick, MD
Assistant Professor/Medical Director
University of Michigan
B.S. & M.D. – University of Michigan

Michigan born & raised, MSU marching band, Navy Nuclear Electrician

Timothy Jones
Social Studies Teacher
Ecorse Public Schools
B.A.- Political Science; B.A. – Public Administration & Policy
M.A. – Teaching – Secondary Education

Currently in WSU's accelerated nursing program. I graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies, where I focused on gender and health disparities. I did work in HIV education in the community setting using a teaching method that helped people understand more about HIV. Later, I decided I wanted to go into health care to help people make healthy choices for themselves and their families. I work in a cardiovascular ICU as a Student Nurse Associate to gain experience while I finish school. I also help a professor collect data for her research study on mothers with bipolar disorder.

Lyndsay McCarver
Student Nurse Associate/Research Assistant
DMC – Harper University
B.A. – Women’s Studies – University of Michigan
B.S. – Nursing – WSU (in progress)
Myra Franklin
Office Manager/Director of Education
Advanced Periodontics Institute LLC

I have been in dental field since 1984. Worked as a recare coordinator and dental assistant. I am now office manager for a world renowned periodontist and director of continuing education for his institute. Although no college degree, I have many hours in continuing education in areas of implantology, oral pathology, periodontal disease - to name a few.

Jennifer Bohanon
University Counselor II
Counseling Psychological Services
M.A. – Counseling Psychology – Ball State University

I currently work as a counselor at Wayne State University. Prior to this appointment, I worked as a Director of services for youth and families involved in the Juvenile Justice system with serious emotional disturbances. I have worked in community mental health centers for many years helping people of all ages.

Keith Stephens
Athletic Director
Ecorse Public Schools
B.S. – Kinesiology – Michigan State University

Husband, father, minister, coach, educator. I love people. I look to push them all to maximize their purpose.

Jackquelyn Garrett
Gov’t Affairs/Public Policy Assistant
City of Detroit City Council
B.A. – Political Science/Public Affairs – WSU

I began college as a Pre-Med major and then switched to business for a semester. During my sophomore year, I switched to Elementary Education in English and Social Studies and I worked in classrooms in Detroit and Grosse Point with middle schoolers. I was also a one-on-one tutor and employee development coach at Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes in Birmingham. In January 2018, I found my joy in Political Science in Public Affairs. Now, I am working in the Detroit City Council President’s office as well as at the United Way of Southeastern Michigan as their Summer Public Policy Fellow. I have worked on campaigns, analyzed budgets, bills, ordinances, met with residents/interest groups and researched policy.
Charlotte Brown
Clinical Research Coordinator
Karmanos Cancer Institute
B.S. – Biology – Saint Mary’s College

I have my bachelors of science in cellular and molecular biology with minors in chemistry and math obtained 2013 from Saint Mary's College Notre Dame, IN. I began working at Karmanos Cancer Institute in 2015 and have previously worked for Merck Pharmaceuticals. I began work towards my MPH in 2016 with intent to graduate in 2019. I currently help coordinate clinical trials in bone marrow transplant through Karmanos Cancer Institute. I have been involved in getting young women motivated to pursue careers in STEM first through Saint Mary's and then afterwards via an author Diane Propsner.

Shantay Brown
House Keeping
American House
Certificate in Dental Assistant – Job Corps

I went to Job Corps to learn how to be a Dental Assistant, while in school I learned my trade through a co-op.

Lia Maloney
Senior Systems Analyst
Beaumont Health
B.S.A. – University of Michigan

Healthcare information technology for 23 years. Currently working on the electronic medical records for Beaumont Health patients.

Tansim Rahman
Environmentalist
Wayne County Health Department
B.S. – Microbiology – University of Michigan
B.A. – Women’s Studies – University of Michigan

I was born in Bangladesh. I graduated with a Bachelor’s in Microbiology and Women’s Studies. I work for the Public Health Department, where I make sure public health facilities are in compliance with food and water regulation. I also oversee the Zika/West Nile Surveillance Program during the summer, where we monitor vector-born illness outbreak.
Orletta Caldwell  
Learning Center Coordinator and Instructor  
Workforce Opportunity Services  
B.A. – Public Affairs – Wayne State University  

Chibuzo Obikwelu  
DTX Launch Detroit Intern  
TechTown  
M.S. – Industrial & Systems Engineering – Wayne State University  

Marlo Thigpen  
Mathematics Teacher  
Ecorse Public Schools  
B.S. – Pure/Applied Mathematics – Howard University  

Frank Lazur  
Digital Marketing Analyst  
Ford Motor Company  
B.S. – Business Administration, Marketing – Wayne State University  

Orletta Caldwell is a passionate and well qualified educator and nonprofit management specialist. Caldwell brings more than 30 years of administrative and leadership experience to the position of Learning Center Coordinator. Highlights of a stellar and diverse career include, Executive Assistant to VP/CIO of Jostens Inc., a Fortune 100 company, Executive Director, Camp Baber and Assistant Professor/Athletic Director at Grand Rapids Community College. She has served in many professional and volunteer capacities including the Urban Renewal Commission for the city of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Board Member/Secretary, Association of Gospel Rescue Missions and the Southfield Downtown Development Authority for Southfield, Michigan.

BSc in Chemical Engineering, MSc Project Management; MSc Industrial Systems Engineering. Have had about 3 years experience in the Oil and Gas Industry. Have trained people in process engineering. Volunteer Services: Participated in WSU 150 years community Service in Durfree Community; Was an Orientation Leader at WSU; Volunteered in Gleaners Home Food Bank  

16 years teaching experience.

Three years experience in the business field, in marketing departments. Worked mostly back to back for medium to large size corporations doing digital marketing. My favorite aspects of my jobs are social media, web design and advertising.
Shavon McCoy  
Insurance Processing Associate  
Proctor Financial Inc.  
Business Administration and Management – Wayne State University

As an alumni volunteer, I have served in a number of capacities, including informal mentoring of current students. Currently, I serve as a co-chair of student relations committee of MISB Alumni Council, allowing me the opportunity to give back and make an impact on students and the university. In addition, I have a passion in continuous learning, inspiring and building relationships. Furthermore, I've gained experience in various industries. 7 years of experience in the mortgage/banking industry, 10 plus years in customer service, airline industry and internships in mortgaging and non-profit organization.

Suha Hadman  
Activity Facilitator  
C2 Pipeline  
M.A. Bilingual/Bicultural Education – Wayne State University

I am currently a PhD student at Wayne State University majoring in Education, Curriculum & Instructions. My masters is in Bilingual/Bicultural Education, focusing in ESL. My current job position is an activity facilitator in WSU C2 Pipeline. I look forward to working with you this summer!

John Patrick Kulcsar-Murray  
Film Free Lancer  
B.F.A. – University of Windsor

Currently studying film production.

Rhonda Joiner  
Special Education Teacher  
Detroit Public Schools  
1 Bachelors Degree & 2 Masters Degrees

24 years of a teaching. I have taught ages 5 to 75 years old. My passion is to motivate, inspire, and encourage others to pursue higher learning. I spent 21 years as a volunteer police officer with Detroit Police Department and I am now retired. I owned my own vocation school for eight years.
Matthew Schwartz
Physical Therapist
Heartland Sterling Heights
D.P.T. – Wayne State University

My educational background includes a Bachelors in Technology Management form Eastern Michigan University, two years post-bachelor studies at the University of Michigan and a Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Wayne State University. A part of my research for my doctorate was interdisciplinary involvement with the Diabetes, Education, Wellness (DEW) division of the SAY Detroit Pro Bono Clinic. I am currently employed at Heartland Skilled Nursing Facility in Sterling Heights where my caseload regularly includes patients who have diabetes as a co-morbidity.

Jeff Jantz
Site Coordinator/ Author, Illustrator, Sculptor
C2 Pipeline/ Jantzer Studios
Fine Art – Wayne State University

Design, Art, Fabrication. 3D Printing and 3D Modeling. I am the guy you call if you need advice on how to build your mock up.

Jessie Beavers
Financial Analyst, Fiscal Affairs
Wayne State School of Medicine
M.S. – Accountancy – Walsh College

Volunteer for the Ferndale and Livonia school districts. Team lead amazing moms BBIM.

Olubunmi Daramola
Assistant Professor
WSU College of Nursing
Ph.D, MPH, MSN

I have experience in Medical - Surgical Nursing, Public Health Nursing and Teaching.
We want to send a special thank you to all of the wonderful mentors who have graciously volunteered their time to make this program a success! We could not have done it without you.

We hope to have you all back next year!

Cheers,
C² Pipeline
Monica White
Supervisor – Population Health Outreach
Henry Ford Health System
B.A. – Sociology and Anthropology – Loyola University

Monica has held increasingly challenging leadership and management roles in various nonprofit organizations and local health departments in Michigan and Illinois. Recently she worked in California as a Training and Staff Development Coordinator for San Joaquin County Public Health Services in Stockton and served as the Executive Director of the Merced County Health Care Consortium in Atwater. In her capacity as a Senior Project Coordinator for the Institute on Multicultural Health, she coordinated system level programs and initiatives around cultural competency, health equity, community health screenings and education. In this role she also designed programs to improve health outcomes and utilization among racial/ethnic minority populations and vulnerable groups. In her current role as a Supervisor- Population Health Outreach, she guides a team of Population Health Coordinators who provide health information, resources and navigation assistance to a panel of hard-to-reach patients in need of healthcare services. She resides in Royal Oak, Michigan with her sixteen year-old daughter Lauren.

Eanna Munoz McAdon
Gym Instructor, Swim Instructor
Aquatots, Mort Harris Rec Center
Kinesiology Major – Wayne State University

I am a kinesiology student with a concentration in sports medicine, I graduate May of 2019. After graduation I plan to work in Ergonomics for a year then continue with my education with a PhD in Kinesiology with a concentration in motor development. I currently work operations at Mort Harris and I am a Swim instructor at Aquatots. I do some volunteer research in my department focusing on motor learning/development.