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The Statistics in Epidemiology Section of the American Statistical Association announces a pilot of its new one-on-one mentoring program. Recognizing that it can be helpful for junior statisticians to gather feedback and advice not only from within an institution but also from outside it, the section seeks ten volunteer mentors and ten volunteer mentees from its membership. These individuals will be matched and pairs will be notified by 6/31/2016. There will be an opportunity for the pairs to meet in person at the JSM 2016 meeting in Chicago, and there will be a special occasion for this at the awards ceremony for the section. Feedback will be gathered by 10/1/2016 and if the pilot program proves successful, a full-scale version of the program will be launched in 2017.

Mentees are individuals who wish to grow professionally through a through a oneon-one professional relationship with a senior statistician as a mentor. Benefits include an introduction to the role of a statistician and to receive a source of professional/social contacts with other applied statisticians.

Mentors should be supportive individuals working with a junior statistician to build a long-term relationship by offering guidance, support, and encouragement to cultivate the mentees' career development. We seek applicants with extensive experience in mentoring junior statisticians or graduate students.

A mentor will be matched with a mentee according to the overlap of their research interests and there will be opportunities for the pair to meet in person in future JSMs. Interested volunteer mentors please complete the form at: <a href="mailto:RegistrationForm">Registration Form</a> and send CV to <a href="mailto:kjablons@bsc.gwu.edu">kjablons@bsc.gwu.edu</a>.

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