

PROFESSIONAL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The Atlantic Planners Institute (API) and the School of Planning at Dalhousie University have partnered to create opportunities and events for both professional planners and planning students. Through this partnership, planners and students have been exposed to new ideas, interesting places, and exciting activities. Recently, this partnership has produced an opportunity to link planners and students through an experience-exchange model— a Mentorship Program.

The API and the School have developed a student-practitioner Mentorship Program whereby API members are encouraged to share their professional experience with eager and upcoming planners and to discuss the planning profession on an informal basis. Overall, the Program benefits both API and the School of Planning by addressing two objectives:

- to assist planning students in making the transition into the planning profession through creating a professional network;
- to provide a professional development opportunity for practicing planners to help coach the next generation of practitioners.

In addition to these objectives, the Mentorship Program will also address other goals, such as:

- Encouraging the growth of the profession and advance the principles of API;
- Creating and enhancing a network of contacts in the planning profession;
- Sharing knowledge and ideas among professional planners;
- Increasing the awareness of API and recruiting opportunities;
- Facilitating information sharing on emerging trends and issues.

If you would like to become a mentor, please fill out the form on the reverse side and fax it to: STEPHANIE BOHDANOW c/o SCHOOL OF PLANNING, 902-423-6672.

MENTOR PROFILE FORM

Please complete this form and send to stephanie.bohdanow@dal.ca or fax to:
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Name:		Date:	
Place of Work:			
Job Title:		Years as Practicing Planner:	
Address:			
Phone:		Fax:	
Email:			
Are you (please circle one) :	Male?	Female?	
Best Point of Contact (please circle one):	Phone?	Fax?	Email?

Questions

Type of Planning

Check all that apply to best describe the area(s) of planning in which you work:

City Planning & Management	Heritage and Culture
International	Urban Design
Community Planning	Social Services
Planning & Law	Housing
Economic Development	Transportation & Infrastructure
Recreation & Tourism	Information Technology
Environmental, Natural Resources	Other:
Rural Planning	

Type of Organization

Check the box which best describes the type of organization for which you work:

- Private consulting/consultant
- Consulting firm
- Non-profit organization
- Municipal Government
- Provincial Government
- Federal Government
- Other:

3. Describe the field of planning that you practice and/or are most qualified to Mentor in.

4. What are your expectations as a Mentor in this Program?
