



## Practicum Description for SAHE Graduate Student

### Campus Connections Coach

#### Program Description

Campus Connections is a powerful campus-based therapeutic mentoring program for at-risk youth, originally started at Colorado State University. The Department of Counseling and Human Services at UCCS launched this program in the Spring of 2019. In this program, Youth (ages 11-15) are paired in one-on-one mentoring relationships with undergraduate UCCS students. Our program engages between 10-20 middle schoolers from District 11. Mentoring occurs in a uniquely structured and intentional multi-level mentoring community. The program is overseen by faculty members in the Department of Counseling and Human Services and runs on Thursday evenings from 3pm-9pm during the Fall and Spring semesters.

#### Job Responsibilities

- Assist the Campus Connections Program Coordinator with various program implementation projects.
  - Help with capturing photos and videos during program nights.
  - Create marketing materials such as flyers, brochures, etc.
  - Attend recruitment events to recruit mentors for future semesters such as tabling or classroom visits.
  - Occasionally manage youth and mentor attendance/sign out sheets.
- Coach undergraduate mentors on Thursday nights when the program is running.
  - Provide assistance and direction as needed.
  - Refer mentors to instructors as needed.
  - Coach mentors with set-up, facilitation, and completion of their pro-social activity, as needed.
  - Assist with dinner expectations for mentor pairs.

#### Additional Information:

- You will be able to collect direct hours each program night between 3pm-9pm. Indirect hours can be achieved through marketing projects or other projects discussed with Program Coordinator.
- You will be required to pass a background check.

Please contact Tylor Teel at [tteel@uccs.edu](mailto:tteel@uccs.edu) for more information.