



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Program Overview

#### **What is the Beyond the Scope Mentorship Program?**

The *Beyond the Scope Mentorship Program* is designed to connect gastroenterology professionals at various career stages with experienced mentors to foster professional growth, skill development, and leadership in the field.

#### **Who is eligible to participate?**

The program is open to ASGE members, including trainees, mid-career, early-career professionals, and others seeking mentorship in gastroenterology.

#### **Where do I fall in my career?**

- Fellow (2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 4<sup>th</sup> year)
- Early Career (1-5 years out of fellowship)
- Mid-career (8-15 years out of fellowship)
- Senior Career (16+ years out of fellowship)

#### **How does the program work?**

Participants are matched with mentors based on career goals, interests, and areas of expertise. The program includes one-on-one mentorship, webinars, group networking opportunities, and access to exclusive resources. Mentors and mentees are required to meet four times minimum during the program. You will be required to log your mentorship time in the platform.

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### Application Process

#### **How do I apply for the program?**

Applications can be submitted through the ASGE website at [application link]. The application form includes questions about your professional background, goals, and areas of interest.

#### **What is the deadline to apply?**

Applications must be submitted by **Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

#### **Are there any fees associated with the program?**

No, the program is offered as a benefit of ASGE membership, and there are no additional fees to participate.

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### Matching Process

#### **How are mentors and mentees matched?**

Matches are made based on the information provided in the application, including career goals,



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areas of focus, and personal preferences. Our goal is to create meaningful and productive mentor-mentee relationships.

### **Can I request a specific mentor?**

While you cannot request a specific mentor, the matching process considers your preferences to ensure a compatible pairing.

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## Program Structure

### **What is the duration of the program?**

The mentorship program runs for 8 months with the opportunity to extend the relationship informally if both parties agree.

### **What kind of time commitment is required?**

Participants are encouraged to meet with their mentors at least every other month and engage in additional program activities, such as webinars or group networking sessions.

### **What topics can I discuss with my mentor?**

Topics include career planning, technical skills, leadership development, work-life balance, and other professional challenges or opportunities.

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## What's New This Year

### **What new features have been added to the program this year?**

This year, the program includes:

- Enhanced matching criteria for personalized mentorship.
  - Expanded resources, including new webinars and toolkits.
  - Peer networking sessions for mentees.
  - A longer program duration to deepen mentor-mentee engagement.
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## Additional Support

### **Who can I contact if I have questions?**

For questions or additional information, please contact Ellissa Langston at [mentorship@asge.org](mailto:mentorship@asge.org) or (630) 570-5608.

### **What happens if I don't feel my mentor-mentee pairing is working?**

If any issues arise, contact the program administrator, and we'll work to address concerns or reassign pairings if needed.