Want to learn how to be a successful student? A Peer Mentor can help!

What is a Peer Mentor?
A Peer Mentor is a current student who can support you as you learn the ropes of college life. Because they are current students, Peer Mentors understand how to balance life's obligations along with school to be successful in their education.

What does a Peer Mentor do?
Peer Mentors understand how to be a successful student and make the most of their education. They know about navigating online courses, e-textbooks, and digital resources; managing time effectively; effective strategies for reading, note taking, studying, and test-taking; proper channels of communication (for example, when and how should I reach out to my instructor when I'm stumped?). They can share strategies that have worked for them and help you develop your own. In short, a Peer Mentor can show you what it takes to be a successful student.

Who are the Peer Mentors?
Our Peer Mentors are current Rasmussen students who have earned their certifications as Tutors. They have completed special training that helps them understand how to best support you.

Peer Mentors know what it's like to be new to college, online courses, and digital resources like e-books. You are not alone! Rasmussen has some amazing resources and support that will help you pull through your college courses. Peer Mentors are a gateway to those resources and they are ready to provide tips and strategies that will help you work smarter, not harder.

How do I connect with a Peer Mentor?
You will make an appointment with a Peer Mentor in Tutor Match. Click here for complete instructions. You can make appointments to connect with your Peer Mentor regularly or as needed.

How often should I meet with my Peer Mentor?
Everyone's needs vary, and it's no different with mentoring. Some students will want to meet with their Peer Mentor every week, while some might find just a couple times during their initial term to be enough. Frequency of meetings will be determined by you and your Peer Mentor.

I've heard of Tutoring too. How is a Peer Mentor different from a Tutor?
Both are important to academic success, but they do have different purposes. A Tutor can help with specific assignments and questions from courses. A Peer Mentor considers your overall success as a student. In other words, a Peer Mentor's approach covers a broader spectrum of what you will encounter as a student, including where to go when you have non-academic questions. For example, a student might tell a Peer Mentor he is overwhelmed in general, struggling to get assignments done on time, and that he also needs help with an algebra assignment. The Peer Mentor can give him tips on time management and can help him set up an appointment with a Tutor. The Tutor (on the other hand) can help the student with the assignment.