Introduction

These activities intend to serve as a starting point for you and your manatee to refer to throughout the year. Remember – mentorship is what you (and your manatee) make of it!

Draw your manatee		
Get to know each other		
What is your manatee's name?		
What is your manatee's year and major?		
What do they like to do outside of design?		
Contact		
Phone	Email	
What days and times are good for them to meet up?		

2 Hard Skills Assessment

 Hard skills refer to technical abilities, typically with software or coding languages. Check off or rate the skills you feel confident in, then swap papers with your manatee and do the same.

	You	Your Manatee	Other hard skills
Photoshop			
Illustrator			
InDesign			
AfterEffects			
HTML/CSS			
Javascript			
AutoCAD			

Design Assessment

How do you want to use those hard skills? What areas of design do you want to explore? These questions serve to aid exploration and discovery of different fields of design.

What areas of design make you excited?

Is there an area of design you feel strong in? What types of projects do you have a lot of in your portfolio?
What about an area that you feel weak in? What types of projects

are missing from your portfolio? What do you want more practice in?

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Professional Development Assessment

Do you know what you want to do after you graduate? Take this time to discuss your career goals and to share your learning experiences with your mantee.

5 Setting Goals What will you and

What will you and your manatee aim to accomplish together? Compare your answers from the three assessments to help you determine how to make the most of your time together.

	Set a goal Choose <i>one</i> thing to focus on for the quarter or year from each of the following categories.	How can you get there? Brainstorm some ideas for tangible ways that you and your manatee can work together to achieve these goals.
Hard Skills		
Design		
Professional Development		