

Dear Bruiser's Crew Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Bruiser's Crew program! The Bruiser's Crew program is a part of the Way to Success initiative designed to pair student mentors with first-year students to provide encouragement and support from the student perspective.

Thinking back to your own experience on campus for the very first time, navigating the transition to college can be a daunting and sometimes scary process. By creating a network of support, Bruiser's Crew mentors will aid in the academic, emotional, and social adjustments of select first-year students at Pitt Community College.

The Bruiser's Crew Peer Mentoring program at Pitt Community College is about helping students in a meaningful way with a purpose driven approach - retention, persistence and completion.

As a Bruiser's Crew Mentor, you will be specially trained to be an effective resource for students, learning good communication and leadership skills, along with the ability to promote positive academic behaviors and life skills. Our program matches successful continuing students with new students, starting a relationship that could make the biggest difference in a first year student's college experience.

Once you've completed the mandatory training, you'll be paired with a small group of select first-year students in need of assistance in making the transition to college. You'll be expected to communicate with your mentees on a regular, documentable basis, as well as participate in regular face-to-face meetings with the Bruiser's Crew round-table discussions.

Please complete and submit the enclosed application, along with the two sealed nomination forms to be completed by a PCC Faculty or Staff member. **The deadline to submit your completed application and nomination forms is March 14, 2016 in Vernon White Room 4.** Students who are selected to be Bruiser's Crew Mentors will be contacted for a face-to-face interview.

Bruiser's Crew Advisors

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peer mentoring

WAY to SUCCESS

**Pitt Community College
Bruiser's Crew
2016-2017 Mentor Application**

Name	
PCC Student ID Number	
MYPITTCC Email Address	
Phone Number	
PCC Academic Major	
PCC GPA	

In one paragraph, please explain why you want to be a student mentor.

Kim, a PCC student posted the following message. "Hi all – I am terrified!!! I really want to go back to school, but everything seems so overwhelming. I am not sure where to start. Can anyone help me?" Reply to Kim as you would if you were her mentor.

Student Agreement

I have reviewed the Bruiser's Crew application and overview statement. By signing this application, I agree to support the guidelines of this program. I am aware that if selected, I will be involved in activities for approximately 2-3 hours per week. I will be required to take the Bruiser's Crew training course this summer and maintain a 3.0 GPA. I understand that Bruiser's Crew service hours are first priority in light of other work commitments.

Should scholarship recipients, at any time, drop out of school or fail to successfully perform their responsibilities, the remainder of funds for the academic year shall be retained by the Pitt Community College Foundation or reimbursed by the student to the Pitt Community College Foundation. If the recipient drops out of school prior to the eleventh calendar day of the semester, he/she shall be responsible for reimbursing the award for that semester. The student will request a refund of the tuition and shall pay to the College the refund plus the difference between the amount of the refund and the amount awarded. I certify that I have no past or current conduct violations with PCC.

I have attached two nomination forms with my application. All nomination forms must be completed by PCC Faculty or Staff in a sealed envelope and attached to this application. **Submit your completed application and two nomination forms to the Vernon White Building Room 4 by Monday, March 14, 2016.**

Student Signature	
Date	

