Mentoring: A Priceless, Lifelong Reward

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During my time at The University of Akron, I worked as a student assistant and graduate assistant in the Career Planning and Placement Office. Marilyn Carrell was the director and Patrick Darrah was the associate director. They provided me with the opportunity to grow as an individual, and through their wisdom and encouragement, they helped me select a pathway in life that would bring much joy and fulfillment for over twenty-five years in the field of Career Services at The University of Akron.

Additionally, as an undergraduate student, I had challenges in selecting a major. My academic advisor, Dan Buie,
helped me find the right major that matched my skills and interests, and due to his compassion and support, I was determined to follow in his footsteps. After working for a year out of state upon graduating with my doctoral degree, I returned to my alma mater and worked as an academic advisor at the Center for Academic Advising and Student Success at The University of Akron.