ICEBREAKER QUESTIONS

When you first meet with your mentor/mentee, you may wonder what you should discuss or how to begin. One way to prepare for this meeting is to think of some icebreaker questions to find out more about them. Here are some ideas to get you started, but we encourage you to come up with about four or five questions of your own. You will probably not get to them all, they’re just a way to get the ball rolling. You will likely be pleasantly surprised about how easily conversation flows once you get started.

1. Why did you choose to come to AUP?
2. Tell me about your AUP experience (so far).
3. (For mentors) How has AUP prepared you for life after graduation?
4. (For mentors) What AUP resources do you recommend taking advantage of?
5. Did/do you hang out in the Amex? Did/do you have a favorite location on campus?
6. What is/was your favorite place in Paris?
7. Where did/do you live your first semester? Where else did you live in Paris?
8. What is your nationality(ies)? Where did you grow up? What is your family like?
9. What is the most important thing you did this past year? What is the most challenging thing you did this past year?
10. How might a good friend describe you?
11. What is a motto you try to live by?
12. What is the greatest challenge you are facing right now professionally/academically?
13. Where do you see yourself in five years?
14. What is one goal you have for the next year?
15. What do you want to learn to do better?
16. What are your interests outside of work/school?