

GETTING IN: Increasing Access to College via Mentoring

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Mentoring, however useful, unfortunately is in great demand but short supply:

18M

young people could benefit from having a mentor; only 3 million are in formal one-to-one mentoring relationships

\$200-\$6,000

average cost of program per student per year

1:3

average mentor-to-student ratio

\$1,114

average cost of student per year

38% mentoring relationships that last one year

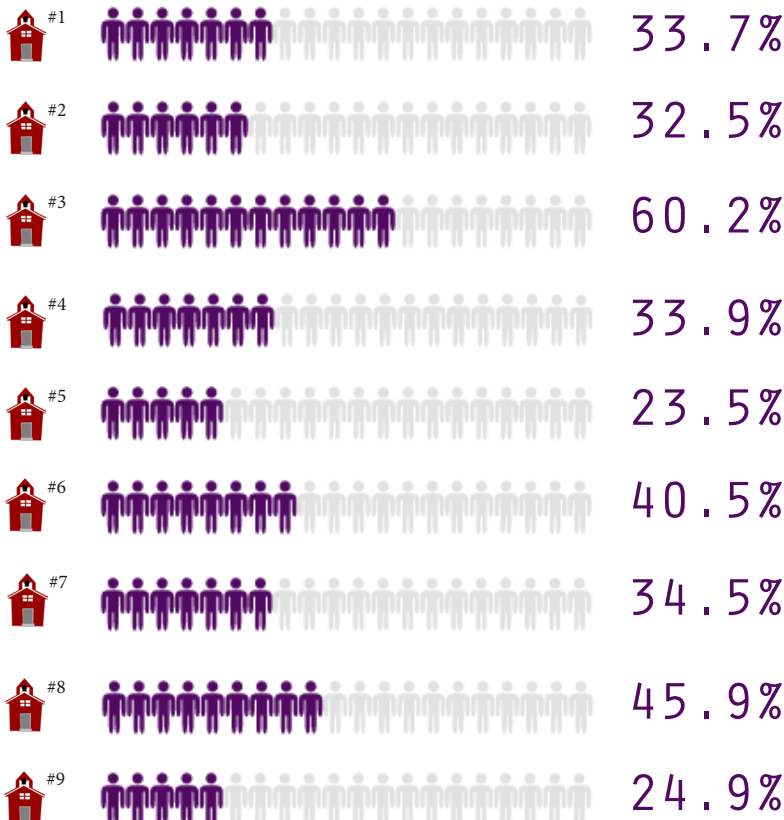
investments in quality mentoring programs provide nearly

9 MONTHS

average mentoring relationship

\$3 for every \$1

Percentage of 2013 Graduates who Completed CSU/UC Coursework in Participating I AM Schools



Increasing Access via Mentoring (I AM) is an action-based intensive mentoring model where USC faculty, staff, and graduate students guide college-bound high school seniors through the college and financial aid application processes.

To read the full report on the I AM program, please visit pullias.usc.edu.

I AM PROGRAM TIMELINE

I AM
Increasing Access Mentoring Program
Student Application



SEPTEMBER

Mentor training;
meet your
mentor/mentee

OCTOBER

CSU applications
begin



AUGUST

Mentor/Mentee
recruitment



DECEMBER

Private college
applications are
submitted



JANUARY-FEBRUARY

Financial aid training



NOVEMBER

UC applications begin
and CSU/UC college
applications are
submitted



APRIL-MAY

Mentees receive admissions
letters and choose colleges
to attend



MARCH

Financial aid
applications due



JUNE

High school
graduations

