## An Eventful Summer for SLHR

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It was an eventful summer for our Human Resources (HR) students completing their last semester in their program. They had the opportunity for one-on-one mentorship from an HR professional in the Seneca community, thanks to the Seneca HR Mentorship Program. April 2019 was the first year of the Seneca HR Mentorship Program, and this year, the program launched for the first time in virtual mode in May. Participating students were matched with select HR alumni and Seneca HR employees to benefit from the guidance of an HR expert. To help ease the transition from campus to corporate life, mentors and mentees connected in weekly one-hour meetings and continued to foster their relationships during the summer until the program's end in August.

A last hoorah took place in September to celebrate the program's completion. Emotional intelligence and mentorship were the topics of the keynote presentation that evening, together with the sharing of success stories, making it a perfect way to conclude the program.

Seneca's Natalie Pedrosa, mentor and 2013 graduate of the Bachelor of Commerce Human Resources Management degree program, summarized her experiences: "No matter where you are in your career, you can learn so much from others. I'm forever grateful for my time at Seneca and the endless amount of times I sought out advice from classmates or professors, to be embraced with open arms. I felt it was only right that I return the favour."

The School of Leadership & Human Resources together with Seneca Alumni look forward to the planning and implementation of their 2021 Seneca HR Mentorship Program.

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