# **Graduate Student Success Network\***

We recommend that you carefully identify, select and record individual(s) who you’d want on your team, to support and help you succeed academically, professionally and personally.

Role Models



Other



Family



Friends



Personal & Emotional Support

Career Guidance



Public Engagement & Outreach



Substantive Feedback



Access to Opportunities



Safe Space



Intellectual Community



Sponsorship



[Academic](#_Graduate_Student_Mentor)/Research/Scholarship

Guidance & Support



Teaching/Pedagogical

Guidance & Support



**Graduate Student**

You!

Well-Being

Advising

Mentoring

## Description of your Network

Below are suggestions on how to interpret the roles in the student success network. Feel free to use these definitions or expand and adapt them to develop your success network.

### Advising

* **Academic/Research/Scholarship**: Individual(s) who support and guide research and scholarship activities (advisor, dissertation committee, other faculty, lab members, etc.)

* **Teaching/Pedagogical**: Individual(s) or organizations [such as CTL](https://www.mtu.edu/ctl/) who teach and support a combination of methodologies to teach and support research, scholarship, and academic learning.
* **Substantive Feedback**: Individual(s) and group(s), like [Write-D](https://www.mtu.edu/gradschool/resources-for/students/write-d/) who provide knowledgeable and constructive feedback on manuscripts, research proposals, etc.
* **Access to Opportunities**: Group(s) and individual(s) who support and provide influences to experiences and opportunities such as the [student leadership organizations](https://www.mtu.edu/student-leadership/student-orgs/current-organizations/) on campus.

### Mentoring

* **Intellectual Community**: Individual(s) who advise and encourage growth and innovation by communication, involvement, and engagement. [Mentoring and networking](https://www.mtu.edu/gradschool/resources-for/students/advising-mentoring/mentoring/) tools can be an assistance to success.
* **Sponsorship**: Individual(s) who provide guidance and connections to resources like the [Individual Development Plan](https://www.mtu.edu/gradschool/resources-for/students/professional/idp/), career opportunities, and personal development.
* **Career Guidance**: Individual(s) who guide and support all areas of current and future career opportunities through resume preparation, prospective mentorships, etc.
* **Public Engagement and Outreach**: Individual(s) or group(s) with volunteer opportunities that create impressions and affect lives like the [Center for Diversity and Inclusion](https://www.mtu.edu/diversity-center/).

### Well-being

* **Role Models**: Individuals whose remarkable deeds and accomplishments ignite a spark within us, urging us to tread in their footsteps.
* **Safe Space**: a protected sanctuary created to nurture confidence, shielding individuals from the shadows of discrimination, criticism, harassment, or any form of harm.
* **Personal and Emotional Support**: Individual(s) and group(s) who support your self-discovery journey while embracing the vibrant emotions, adventures, and awkward moments of life! (like the [Center for Student Mental Health and Well-Being](https://www.mtu.edu/well-being/)).
* **Friends**:Individual(s) that you enjoy the company of and value their opinions.
* **Family**: Supportive individual(s) who are related to you or people who feel near to you.
* **Other**: Individuals, groups, or organizations that enhance your mental and physical well-being.