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The Closure Conversation: Sample Agenda

- 1. Review initial goals and expectations.
- 2. Discuss your mentorship relationship.
- 3. Wrap up and determine if you would like to remain in contact.

The Closure Conversation: Discussion Guide

Below are some sample questions for students to think about for their closing conversation with their mentor. Students can use these questions to guide a thoughtful conversation about what they gained from the partnership.

- 1. Did we achieve our goals?
- 2. Were my expectations meet and/or exceeded?
- 3. What was successful about our partnership?
- 4. What was the most valuable thing you learned through this process?
- 5. What specific insight, approach, or perspective did you gain?
- 6. What surprised us about this process?
- 7. What will you do differently or try to do in your next mentorship relationship?
- 8. Do we want to continue to be in contact? If so, on what basis?

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