

# 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

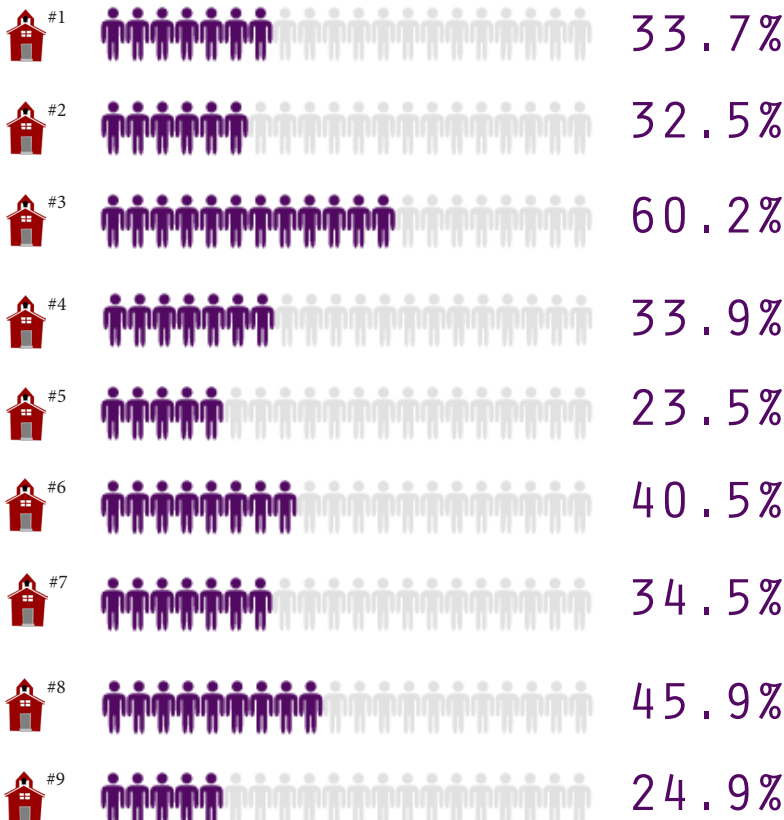
investments in quality mentoring programs provide nearly

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](http://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

