

SBB Student Mentoring Agreement

LifeSouth Community Blood Centers

_____ is an applicant to the LifeSouth SBB program, a distance education program. A mentor is required for acceptance into this program. The mentor's commitment should be for the 12-month duration of the SBB Program.

Qualifications for a mentor:

- SBB (ASCP), MT/MLS (ASCP), or a pathologist board-certified in transfusion medicine (other qualifications may be approved by LifeSouth SBB Program Director)
- Extensive experience in blood banking or transfusion medicine.
- Employed in some capacity at a blood center or transfusion service.

The mentor should be willing to do the following:

- Provide guidance in some or all aspects of Blood Bank Technology.
- Communicate with the LifeSouth SBB program Education Coordinator concerning the student's progress.
- Complete checklists concerning the student's clinical activities and practicums.
- Review antibody identification work-ups.
- Provide and/or prepare unknowns or other special testing opportunities for the student's clinical experience.
- Evaluate the student's ability at oral presentations.
- Provide an audience so the student can present case studies, journal articles or other educational activities.
- Provide ideas and guidance for management and research projects.
- Assist the student with networking to locate laboratories for required practical experience.
- Serve as Proctor for online exams, given through the Blackboard Learning Management System.

The mentor is not responsible for the following:

- Providing monetary support to the student for any project.
- Developing or grading written or practical tests for the student.
- Providing reagents or any materials that might entail costs to themselves or the facility.
- Preparing lectures, providing textbooks or other didactic materials.

Provide a current CV or resume, listing all pertinent education and experience.

I, _____ (print name), am willing to provide the necessary support as listed above. I understand the student may need my assistance for one year. If at any time, I feel I cannot continue with this role, I may withdraw. It will be the student's responsibility to find another mentor.	
Signature of Mentor:	Date:
Email Address:	

Scan and email the completed form to education@lifesouth.org.

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Form Version History	
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Effective Date	Significant Changes
19 Aug 2026	- Updated form formatting to match Tech Comm style guidelines. - Made additional minor changes.
04 Sep 2024	New form.