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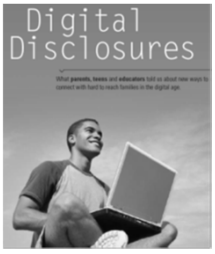

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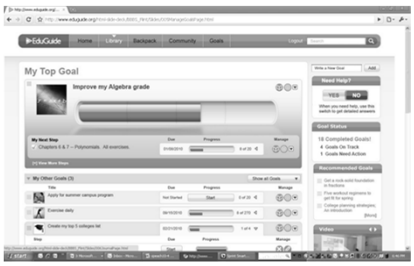

A national award-winning nonprofit specializing in research & tools that have equipped partners to mentor 1,000,000+ people to take new steps.

10 Year Anniversary

Award Winner

Lumina FOUNDATION

Next Generation Challenge

the future of college access & success

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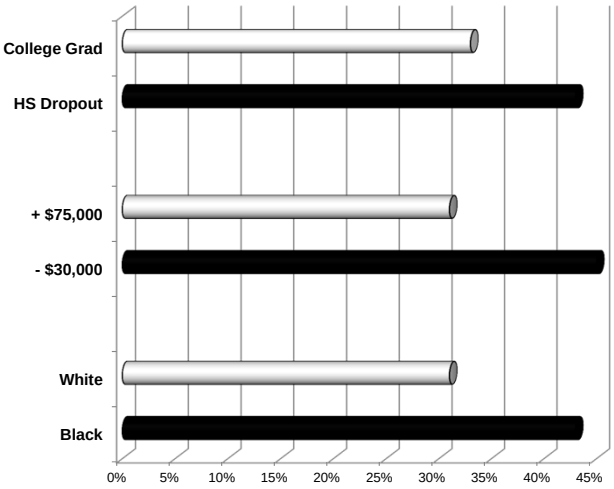
Minorities and low-income led social networking wave.



Source: 12/ 2008 Survey: Pew Internet and American Life Project.

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Control Group Study

No e-mentor

31% Persisted 2nd Year

One e-mentor

50% Persisted 2nd Year

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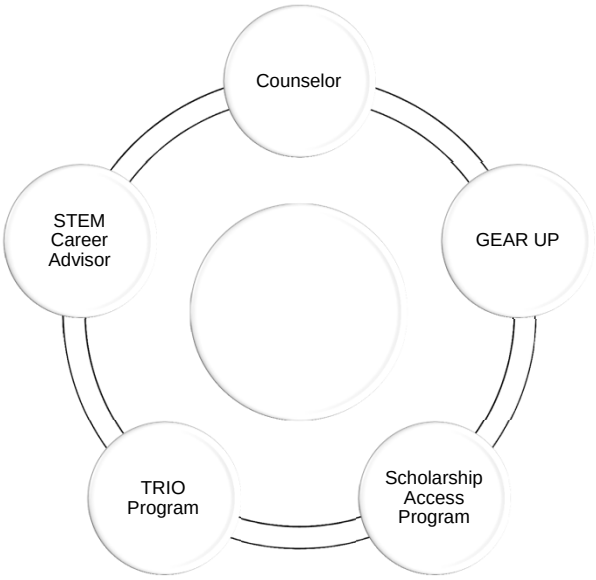
Mentoring Community



Customizable Platform:

1. **10x Impact.**
2. **Data-driven.**
3. **Safeguards.**
4. **Collaboration.**
5. **Continual improvement.**

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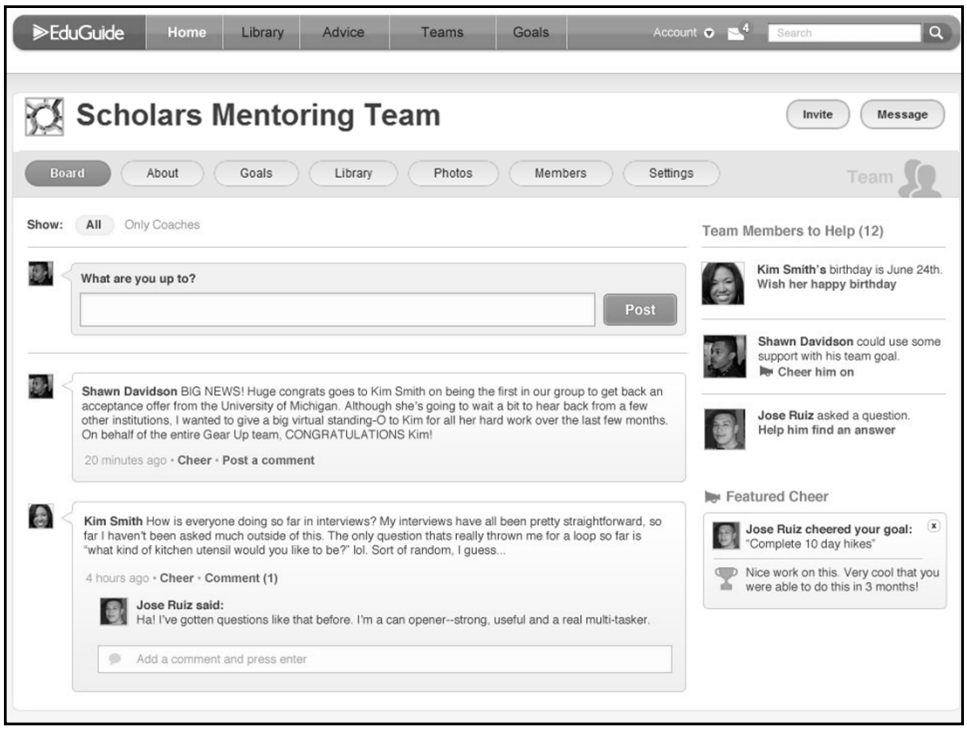

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Computer science is all about harnessing the power of computers to solve problems. What problems would you solve using computers?

Google is a great example of computer scientists solving big problems. In the early days of the web, finding content was hard. There were hundreds of thousands of pages but no way to search for relevent information.

Google solved this problem by creating a computer program that would crawl the web, making a note of every site it came across. It also kept track of what sites linked to each other and used this information to decide what pages were most important. Today, Google gets 91 million search queries per day--more than any other search engine.

Jeff Siarto (Mentor) Don't feel like you need to come up with "big" ideas like Google. Focus on things you like or things you may be interested in learning later on.
3 days ago • **Cheer** • **Comment**

Post a response to this question

Needs action!

Post

Justin Smith What is the difference between computer science and computer engineering? I've seen schools that list both and some that just have one or the other. How do I know what I'm getting into?
2 days ago • **Cheer** • **Comment**

Jeff Siarto (Mentor) Great quesiton Justin! Computer Science (CS) and Computer Engineering (CE) share very similar backgrounds and foundations. The main difference is that CE focuses on developing devices and system whereas CS focuses transforming and representing data within those systems. Think CE = hardware, CS = software.
1 day ago • **Cheer** • **Comment**

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Team Goals (4)

Title	Status	Due	Progress		Manage
Complete application for summer campus program	9 | 21	Not Started	Start	0 of 20	
Read & discuss our book: The Power of Less	18 | 2	10/15/2009		8 of 20	
Submit completed student survey to the Gear Up Coordinator	18 | 2	10/15/2009		18 of 20	
Study for two hours each day	17 | 3	06/19/2010		20 of 98	

Member Progress [View All]

		Due	Progress		Manage
Janice Weathersby	Cheer! (14)	Not Started	Start	0 of 20	
Wanda Striker	Cheer! (14)	06/19/2010		8 of 20	
LaQuis Landers	Cheer! (14)	06/19/2010		8 of 20	

Feedback Loops

New Measurement

Personalized data

10%

Emotional Consequence

Relevant Action

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