Mentoring Searle Fellows

The Mentor
Searle Fellows select as their mentors senior colleagues in their department or a closely related field. Mentors guide and offer insights into the teaching and learning process during their time in the program. NOTE: We do not expect the mentor to be an expert in the area of learning & teaching. They will, however, have a wealth of experience to draw on including their experience of the particular discipline, department, and institution.

Mentor’s Role
The mentor should:

- Be aware of the program requirements for the Searle Fellow.
- Provide opportunities for Searle Fellow to reflect on his or her teaching, especially how they relate to student learning, research, administration, etc.
- Attend program events. At the very least, we would like you to attend the dinners at the Allen Center, the retreat in December (at least part), as well as the final dinner in June, (the Searle Fellows present their projects and a number of senior administrators, including the Provost, attend as well).
- Observe participants’ practical teaching (including a written commentary if possible).
- Provide feedback about Searle Fellows’ project and critical account.