

FOR POLSKY MEMBERS ONLY

POLSKY MENTORSHIP

The Polsky Mentorship program offers all existing Polsky Exchange members access to carefully curated entrepreneurs, business leaders, and experts from a wide variety of industries who can provide critical advice along the entrepreneurial journey.



OVERVIEW:

The Polsky Mentorship program is one of the most valuable resources included in the Polsky Exchange membership. Members have the opportunity to connect one-on-one with industry leaders across a variety of industries.

GET STARTED:

- **Find a Mentor:** Polsky mentors bring decades of experience in strategy, fundraising, healthcare, technology, sales and marketing, law, insurance, and a variety of other fields. A list of all Polsky mentors can be found on the Polsky Center member portal.
- **Book an Appointment:** All members can book a 45-minute appointment with one of the Polsky mentors through the Polsky Center website. Each Tuesday, Polsky Exchange members also receive an email with a list of mentors and their upcoming timeslots and availability. *Cancellation policy: 72 hours' notice is required.*
- **Prepare in Advance:** To make the most of the meeting, it is important to have a desired goal in mind and to come prepared with a list of discussion topics or specific questions.
- **Get Expert Advice:** The meeting will be fully customized based on the stage of the startup and their specific business needs. Mentors will provide helpful feedback, guidance, and key resources.
- **Create an Action Plan:** At the meeting, both the entrepreneur and the mentor will outline a clear action plan with recommended next steps, which may include checking in on progress made.

BY THE NUMBERS:

1,100+ mentor appointments are booked each year

60+ active mentors

95% of members and mentors say the meetings are productive and enjoyable

WHO CAN ACCESS THE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM?

All existing Polsky Exchange members have access to the Polsky Mentorship program as part their membership. To become a member, please fill out an application online at: bit.ly/PolskyExchangeSignup

DOES IT COST EXTRA TO USE THE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM?

No. The Polsky Mentorship program is included as a Polsky Exchange member benefit at no additional cost.

QUESTIONS?

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