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A few days after I sent the email out one of the students got back to me and we scheduled an in person meeting to discuss classes and the upcoming semester. We first talked about the classes that she's currently taking and the professors that she has this semester. She then mentioned that she is in Navy ROTC (NROTC) here at ODU but she wasn't 100% about the idea of doing ROTC which led to her asking how it worked out for me and how I balanced my schedule. I gave her all the advice I could about balancing my schedule with ROTC, club activities, and cybersecurity classes. I told her how it worked out for me and why I chose to go with the Army. We then started talking about why she wanted to do NROTC and what route would be best for her. I didn't want to outright give her directions that she should join certain programs or clubs as this was obviously something that she needed to decide for herself if it will be good for her or not. We then ended off with me giving her advice on how to structure her schedule if she were to do certain clubs/NROTC and also about what to expect with certain cybersecurity classes.

After the first part of the peer mentor internship, I waited another week after the first email and sent out another email. In this email I talked about my available hours and that if any of them needed me I would be in the cyber lab at Monarch Hall and give them my number. Sometimes at the cyberlab, when it would be busy, students ask for help and I used this opportunity to give them advice on whether it was a class I took before or if it was just a scheduling issue they needed help with. For example, one girl was taking digital forensics this semester and since we talked a previous day about different classes, she knew I took it last semester and asked for help. She mentioned that some of the virtual labs would stop working in

the middle of the lab. I had this issue last semester so I was able to fix it and show her how to fix it if it happened again. She then had questions about the midterm and final so I pointed her in the right direction of what she had to do for it.