

# Anatomy of the Mentoring Relationship

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On February 22, 2016, the FWA Graduate School Partnership Committee sponsored an “Anatomy of the Mentoring Relationship” event at the Lincoln Center Campus of Fordham University Graduate School of Business.

The event was held in a simultaneous live classroom and webinar broadcast format, Fordham University students were able to attend the presentation live in a classroom, while students from other colleges in the New York metro area were able to go online and join the seminar virtually.

According to committee co-chair, Christine Li-Auyeung, *“This is our second simultaneous live classroom and online streaming presentation. Students are receptive to this new format as we utilize technology to bring FWA’s valuable programs to more campuses at once and help more students with their professional development.”*



Fordham students listening to the presentation

A dynamic presentation was provided by Marietta Bottero, the Guest Speaker and VP of the FWA Next Generation and Education Programs, who diagnosed mentoring from the outset of the Mentor / Mentee relationship. The students learned how to establish a personal two-way dialogue and realistic achievable goals. The discussion also focused on problem structuring and tackling difficult issues; tracking progress against goals; avoiding pitfalls; and maintaining continuity, focus and commitment.

Maria Ines Garcia-Gallont, a student from Fordham University who attended the live session commented, “It was a great honor for us to be able to host our first FWA event and had the great opportunity to learn more about mentoring with someone as experienced as Marietta Bottero.”

Ying Zhang, a graduate student at Hofstra University, who dialed into the webinar noted: “Everything was perfect! It was a very good event! I’ve got a deeper understanding of the role of mentor and mentee and some practical way to deal with this relationship. I believe it will be really helpful for my career development later.”

The FWA Ambassador to Fordham University and committee co-chair, Susy P. Pestana, noted that the presentation was the first FWA event at Fordham University and is looking forward to developing the partnership between the FWA and the students at Fordham University.

To learn more about the new Graduate School Partnership Committee, please contact co-chairs, [Christine Li-Auyeung](#) or [Susy P. Pestana](#).



Marietta Bottero (center left in white), Guest Speaker and VP, FWA Next Generation and Education Programs, Christine Li-Auyeung (center in black), Chair of the FWA Graduate School Partnerships Committee and Susy P. Pestana (center right in beige), FWA Ambassador to Fordham University, with Fordham students after the presentation