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Mothers & Daughters Raising Expectations

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Senior Advising Program

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MISSION:
TO EMPOWER YOUNG
LATINAS AND
THEIR MOTHERS THROUGH
EDUCATIONAL AND
SUPPORT SERVICES THAT
INCREASE PREPAREDNESS,
PARTICIPATION, AND
SUCCESS IN
POST-SECONDARY
EDUCATION

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Con Mi MADRE's Senior Advising Program pairs our high school seniors with a Professional or an Upperclassman college student from the Austin area or surrounding communities, who can provide guidance and encouragement through the college entrance process. This may include meeting in person to provide assistance in completing college/scholarships applications, reviewing college admission essays, assisting with the completion of the FAFSA, looking over financial aid reports, assisting with housing applications, and most importantly being a positive role model to our Con Mi MADRE participant.

Once a volunteer completes and submits the Senior Advisor Application to the Con Mi MADRE office, the Senior Advising Program coordinator will email the online webinar training link, in which roles and responsibilities will be discussed. Con Mi MADRE will also provide a packet with important deadlines for seniors to keep in mind, as well as, up-to-date information on college admissions and financial aid guidelines. Once the Advisor has completed their online training, they will then be assigned to a student and provided with the student's contact information.

"I have found having a Senior Advisor extremely helpful. Erica...has helped me by revising my college essay, resume and many more things. Erica is in fact a great role model to me. I recommend the Senior Advising Program to continue in the future because it provides a young woman with extra support and gives them a sense of relief that they are not alone with the stress that comes along with the college application processes."
-Arisbeth, 2013 Senior

"I'm very happy with the way that things are going with my student! When we get together, we chat about the status of her applications, I provide feedback on her essays, and we discuss financial aid opportunities. We generally meet for 1 1/2 - 2 hours at a time, and I've told her that she's more than happy to follow-up with questions via phone or email...Thanks for allowing me to participate in this program!"
-Sarah, 2013 Advisor

The Advisor and student will then decide the best way to communicate. Meetings can vary from face-to-face advising at coffee shops, bookstores, or local libraries, or if more convenient for the advisor and student, much of the advising can be done utilizing technology. You can check in with your student by phone, text, or email. We recommend face-to-face meetings when the student needs help with completion or review of documents.

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