

## ☞ Suggestions for Meeting with a Prospective Faculty Mentor ☞

### *Have you done your homework?*

It is strongly recommended that you read one or more journal articles authored by the faculty member, or papers related to your research interests, so you have an idea of the type of research s/he does. This will also show the faculty member that you are committed and highly motivated to become involved in a research or creative project with him/her. It is also highly recommended that you read other literature available online or in print on your topic of interest.

### *What should you expect?*

It is very important that you ask questions during the meeting AND be an active listener. If you decide to work with this faculty member, it is important that you are aware of his/her expectations as well as communicate your own.

### *Possible Question:*

- Is this a group or individual project?
- Will you get academic credit?
- If so, what constitutes an “A” performance?
- How many hours of research per week are expected?
- Who will be your direct supervisor?
- What will be your specific responsibilities?
- Are there additional references or suggested readings? Classes to enhance your preparation?