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Appreciation for Diversity and Teamwork Skills from Peer Mentoring



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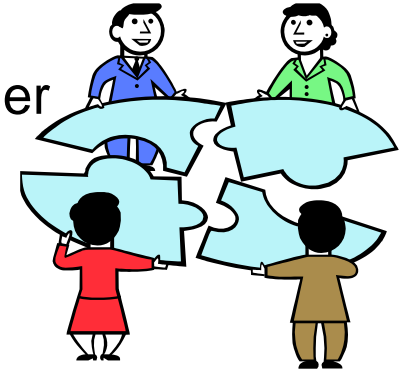


Health Graduates: Teamwork and Diversity

- › Multidisciplinary teams lead to improvements in patient outcomes (Lemieux-Charles & McGuire, 2006).
- › Interprofessional learning experiences can facilitate effective teamwork (Reeves et al., 2013)



- › Initiatives to widen participation in higher education have led to a socially and culturally diverse student body.



- › Opportunities for supporting, and learning from, diversity



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› Belong @ FHS

- Courses taught across two campuses
- Professional and generalist programs (entry ATAR from 80-99).
- Diverse!

What does the Mentoring Program look like?

2012 Semester 2

- Mentor recruitment (N=110)

2013 January – February

- Mentor training + Mentee recruitment (N=255)
- Organising teams (2 mentors, 6-8 mentees)
- Mentoring Orientation / Launch

2013 Semester 1

- Mentoring sessions
- Exam study and referencing workshops for mentees

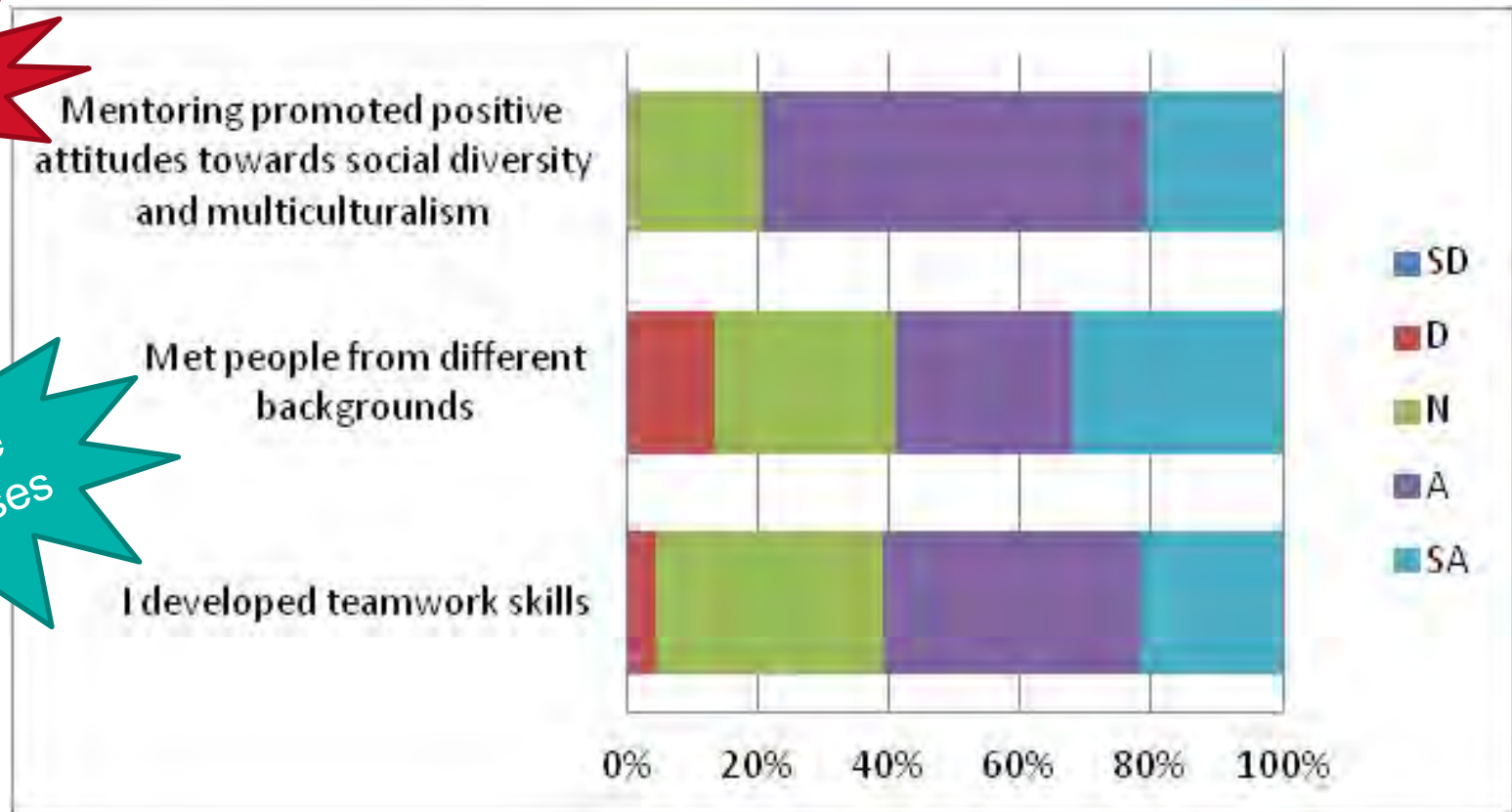
2013 Semester 2

- Mentors and Alumni evening
- Recruitment for subsequent year

- › Online survey consisting of standardised scales for teamwork and appreciation for diversity and questions about the mentoring experience.

Mentors

Mentee responses



Success is measured in many ways



- › *“I was a mentee in 2013 and felt like those few mentoring sessions significantly helped me get through my first semester at uni.”*
- › *“I am the first one in my family to go to university, and the only one in my friends circle, so I has no one to ask why, when, how and what to do! I now know so much more and would love to be the support for someone in a similar position in the future”*

