Helping first-generation college students succeed in their studies and career

Opportunity
First-generation college students are a large pool of potential talent and require specific support to succeed in their college studies and early career.

Actions
America Needs You provides career development, mentoring and access to professional networks for first-generation college-bound students. Macquarie provides funding to the organisation, while staff volunteer as mentors.

Outcomes
- 94% participants in ANY programs graduate college (compared with 11% nationwide for first-generation students)
- 90% ANY participants secure employment in industries of choice
- $US1.3 million contributed by Macquarie staff and the Foundation since 2010, benefitting 1,200 students
- 300% increase in students assisted with Macquarie’s support