Focus Group Interview guide – Doctoral Student

**Demographics Questions** for both Focus and Individual Doctoral Group Interview

Identifier: initials plus month and day of birth ie (LRM0818)

Degree Program?  
Year in program?  
Pre or post candidacy?  
Current GPA?   
  
Age?  
Gender?  
Race?  
First Generation College Student?

Do you have a formal faculty mentor(s)? Name  
How long have you been in this mentoring relationship?  
Do you have a mentor (who is not faculty or is an informal faculty mentor)?

**Focus Group**

1. What is your definition of mentoring?

2. What do you believe the goals/outcomes of a doctoral mentorship should be?

3. What are the key responsibilities of a Mentor? Mentee?

4. Tell me about your experiences with being mentored by a faculty mentor as a doctoral student.

5. What has impacted the quality/effectiveness of your mentoring as a doctoral student?

6. In what ways do cultural factors such as race impact faculty mentor-doctoral student protégé mentoring relationship?

7. In what ways has your institution supported the development of quality doctoral mentorships?

8. What are your perceptions about the diversity of your doctoral program?