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## December Meeting: Boost Your BA Career

**Date:** Wednesday, December 7, 2016 5:45 - 8:00pm CST

**Location:** Allstate, Northbrook, IL

Looking to advance your career in business analysis? Join us for a series of lightening talks and panel discussions on the BA role to help you better understand the knowledge and skills needed to boost your career. We'll also have a coaching clinic with BA experts to help you work through anything you're struggling with.

Don't miss this opportunity to create goals and an action plan to level up your skills and advance in your career.

## January: Free Webinar - Accelerating Agile by Adding Business Analysis

**Date:** Wednesday, January 25, 2017 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Central

**Speaker:** Ryland Leyton

**Location:** Webinar

The Agile world often rejects the Business Analyst because they don't know our value. This session positions the Business Analyst in the agile space, talks about collaboration, and shows how to respond to challenges that we just "don't belong" in agile.

Registration for this event will open on December 10, 2016. Register before 1/20/2017 in order to receive URL of the Webinar.

## Coming in February: Customer Centric Analytics at US Foods

US Foods is the second largest broad line food services distributor in the US. Its customer-centric analytics program has evolved over the past 6 years, and continues to evolve.

Learn how this sophisticated analytics program has led to increases in both profits and customer retention.

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## BA Mentoring Program

Mentoring is an essential leadership skill. In addition to managing and motivating people, it's also important that you can help others learn, grow, and become more effective in their jobs.

The chapter's inaugural BA Mentoring Program officially began on Saturday October 22nd with a kickoff meeting held at the Elmhurst Public Library. 9 volunteer mentors were paired up with mentees for a 4-month journey of professional growth and development. It was exciting to see the enthusiasm from the participants as they worked through the initial exercises designed to set the stage for a successful mentoring relationship! Look for more updates as we plan to share participant feedback and lessons learned as we work to make mentoring opportunities available through future programs.

If you have interest in participating either as a mentor or a mentee, please e-mail Director of Mentoring, Maria Astudio at [membership@chicago.iiba.org](mailto:membership@chicago.iiba.org) and you will receive an invitation to apply for the Spring 2017 mentoring program.

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