**Connect with a Specialist Canvas**

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| **Specialist Name(s)** |  |
| **Specialist Organization(s)** |  |
| **Date(s) of Meeting:** |  |
| **Before the meeting:***Why did you choose to reach out to this individual/organization? What information do you hope to get out of the meeting? List some specific questions you will ask during the meeting.* | **Documentation of Meeting:***What were the key takeaways from your discussion? Did the specialist advisor bring up any ideas, problems, or existing solutions you had not considered?* | **Following the Meeting:***How might your project idea or implementation change after the meeting? As a result of this meeting, did you look for any new sources of information or reach out to other individuals or organizations?* |
| **Comments on the process:***Was it difficult to get in contact with your specialist? Did anything surprise you?* |

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Purpose:

As you develop your solution, you are required to correspond with at least one specialist in a field relevant to your solution. This individual may be a business executive, activist, politician, professor, or anyone with credible knowledge in your field. It may be someone with whom you have no prior contact. We advise you to be ambitious and reach out to high-profile figures or organizations, granted that you have done your research beforehand!

We hope that you will be able to setup a brief phone call to ask questions relevant to your project. However, a well-documented email response will suffice if need be.

**You will submit a 1-page document which compiles the information in the template above. If you meet with multiple different specialists on different occasions, you may submit 1 page for each different meeting.**