Industry Mentoring Program

You always remember your first mentor.

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to participate in the 2024 EAIT Industry Mentoring Program within the Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Information Technology at The University of Queensland.

This rewarding initiative connects second-last year and final-year students with industry professionals with 3+ years experience.

The program aims to motivate, encourage, empower and transform the next generation of engineering, architecture, design and planning, computer science and information technology professionals.

Now in its’ 11th year, the mentoring program offers mentors an opportunity to share their knowledge, skills, information and experience in their chosen industry. Your wisdom, experience and leadership can help our students on their path to success.

Key information for mentors:
• The program runs from March to September 2024
• Mentors and mentees are encouraged to connect 4 times throughout the duration of the program. UQ will also facilitate 4 events to assist those participating in the 2024 program
• Applications to apply close 10 March 2024
“Participating in the program has been a wonderful experience; the opportunity for one-on-one interactions with mentors greatly enriched my learning. These personalized discussions allowed me to receive guidance on my career goals, fostering a deeper understanding of my path ahead. Through the process, I started to take action and empower my employability.”

“Through mentorship, I’ve honed my time management skills, balancing coursework and job searching process effectively. This experience has enhanced my communication skills, particularly in articulating complex ideas with clarity. Overall, participating in the program has facilitated substantial personal development for me.”

“I have gained more confidence in the interview process and have learnt some vital skills for interview practices.”

2023 mentee feedback

Feedback from industry mentors:

• “Just knowing that I can make a positive impact on someone else’s life and career can bring a deep sense of satisfaction. The learning is mutual, I have gained new perspectives, ideas and approaches to improve my mentoring.”

• “My mentee has asked a lot of questions and made progress with CV and cover letter writing as well as preparing for interviews. She has received an offer letter for a graduate position and has done well for herself.”

• “Building a new relationship and rapport with a young professional is very rewarding. The fact that I could help and provide insight into things that my student had limited knowledge... The fact that they genuinely were driven and energetic and thought the program was beneficial.”

How to Apply

If you are interested in joining the 2024 UQ EAIT Industry Mentoring Program, please follow the below steps to complete your application:

1. Create a profile on Chronus, UQ’s mentoring platform, by 10 March 2024. As part of your profile, you’ll be able to list your work experience and education history, which areas you can provide guidance on, and write a little bit about yourself so potential mentees can get to know you.

   Tip #1: Make sure you complete all questions in your profile to allow for our system to best match you with one of our students!

2. Students will then have the opportunity to upload their own profile. Participating students are encouraged to provide more personal objectives for joining the program - allowing for clear communication for the mentorship.

3. It’s a match! The UQ EAIT Student Employability team will match you with a suitable mentee, and you’ll be invited to attend our Welcome event on Thursday 21 March. We recognise that mentoring can occur face-to-face or virtually. If you are located interstate, or overseas, we will provide ongoing support to you.

   Tip #2: Remember to publish your profile so students can see it and connect with you!

Where possible, all eligible mentors will be matched with a student. However, on some occasions the program may be unable to match mentors with a student from the same area of expertise due to an unbalanced number of student participants or compatibility.

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