



# MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME

**The Wellington ICT Graduate School (WICTGS) Mentorship Programme seeks to build industry contacts and professional coaching opportunities for current students. Mentors are professionals from applicable ICT industries who will share their personal experience and assist students with basic professional development alongside their studies.**

Students must apply to the programme and commit to meeting with their mentor at least 6 times throughout the academic year. Each mentor will have 1-2 students and will determine the time and place for each group meeting. If the relationship proves mutually beneficial mentors and mentees can continue the meetings without structure from the school.

## **The purpose of the programme is to:**

- Provide students with the opportunity to learn about their chosen career, develop networks, and transition successfully into the professional workplace.
- Facilitate opportunities for industry to provide insights into the changing workforce and learn from a new, fresh, multi-disciplinary perspective.

## **Mentor Commitment**

Commit to meeting at least six times with their mentees. Mentors will be sent information about all student applicants, for their review. A “speed-dating” breakfast will be set up for mentors and mentees to meet, see dates below. After this event, WICTGS staff will process feedback and match up each mentor/mentee group. If mentors cannot attend this event, please let us know and we can help make alternative arrangements.

## **Mentee Commitment**

Students will complete an application and commit to meeting with their mentor 6 times throughout the Academic year. They will be flexible with the time/place of these meetings outside of their required class times. Early Friday mornings have been strongly suggested as an easy time for most industry partners to meet with students during the work week.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Mentee Applications Due:** Friday, August 14th.

**Mentor Training:** Thursday, September 17th, 4:00-5:00pm, Wellington ICT Graduate School, Level 1, 40 Taranaki St.

**Speed Dating (Wellington) Mentor Brekkies:** Software Development - Wednesday, September 23rd, 8:00-9:30am, Business Analysis - Thursday, September 24th, 8:00-9:30am, UX Design - Friday, September 25th, 8:00-9:30am.

**Mentor/Mentee Partnerships Confirmed:** Early October

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Please contact **Lauren Locke** (Academic Advisor) with any questions or concerns: [Lauren.Locke@wellingtonict.ac.nz](mailto:Lauren.Locke@wellingtonict.ac.nz) or 022 563 8595