Edwards Mentorship Program

What is it?
Each September, the Edwards Mentorship Program solicits the business community to participate and mentor one of either our 3rd/4th year B.Comm students and/or MBA/MSc. Finance/Marketing students from October to March.

Why should you or your organization participate?
Building a strong relationship with the business school is a win-win situation. Within your organization is a talented pool of employees with knowledge, expertise, and experiences that can provide insight and value to Edward’s students. Encouraging management and staff to mentor a young business professional is a worthwhile endeavor that can only raise the profile of your organization and provide an opportunity to share experiences with the next generation of business professionals.

What is the cost and time commitment?
There is no cost other than the employee’s time commitment which is minimal averaging one to two hours a month from October to March and meeting times are negotiated between both parties. Key to the relationship is requiring all participants, mentors and protégés, to attend a ‘Meet & Greet’ reception on Oct. 5, 0730am @ the Park Town Hotel and from there, find one to two hours a month to meet, whether in person, on the telephone or via e-mail.

How can I and/or my organization get started?
As a possible mentor and/or as a mentorship ambassador for your organization, we would ask that you share this information with your colleagues.

How to Register
If you have not received an email invite with instructions on how to access the mentor portal, send an email (with your full contact information) to mentorship@edwards.usask.ca and we will send you the instructions on how to access the system. Interested mentors are asked to provide their background information to assist with the matching process.

Mentors will be notified by email by Oct. 3rd 2018 of their match (if a successful match can be made).

The Meet & Greet Reception is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 5, 0730am @ the Park Town Hotel, 924 Spadina Cr E.

Need more information?
The Edwards Mentorship Program
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Expectations & Commitments

1. The mentorship program will match mentors and protégés based on the information supplied by all the professionals and students. This includes common interests, profession, etc. All student applicants will go through an initial interview with the Director of Career Services.

2. The first meeting is our Meet & Greet event held on Oct. 5, then meet once a month with your protégé and finally attend our Appreciation Luncheon on Mar 22 (TBA).

3. There are no predetermined meeting spots or topics. Some suggestions for meeting spots include coffee shops, your business, libraries, and the university.

4. We provide suggested agenda topics including but not limited to career paths/strategies, resume building, job shadowing, and university/work life. You and your protégé should determine ahead of time where and when it is most convenient to meet.

5. We ask that you meet a minimum of once a month from Oct. – March. Ultimately, the frequency and duration of your meetings is up to you and your protégé.

6. This is NOT a job interview. You are not required to hire your protégé. In the past, some protégés have been recruited by their mentors. Again, this is not an expectation.

Important Dates & Check Points

Here is a check list to identify important dates and check points. This is a quick glance of the important dates and timeframes to be aware of, in correlation with the specific activities that the Mentor is accountable for.

September - March

By Sept. 26
- Submit your information on careerlink.usask.ca. Once logged in, go to the School of Business Mentorship Tab to access your mentorship profile

By Oct. 3
- Received an email from the program introducing your protégé (if matched successfully)

On Oct. 5, 0730
- Attend Meet & Greet Morning Reception at 0730am @ the Park Town Hotel

By Oct 31
- Have met with your protégé at least once (Excluding the Meet & Greet event).
  - If not, contact the program if no communication has occurred

March 22 11:30am
- Attend our Mentorship Appreciation Lunch (TBA)