

Volunteering role	Professional Development Mentor
Role synopsis and primary focus	As a Mentor you'll guide and encourage an applicant's professional development and the development of competences for professional development.
Person requirements	You'll need to be an IET Member and professionally registered with the Engineering Council.
What you can gain from this role	<ul> <li>Further develop your teamwork and communication skills.</li> <li>Positively contributing to the careers and development of other engineers and technicians</li> <li>Meet people from different sectors and industries, helping you to build your network and keep up-to-date in the engineering and technology environment</li> <li>Develop leadership, management and interpersonal skills</li> <li>Volunteering contributes towards your CPD and can be logged as part of your CPD activities</li> </ul>
Main duties and responsibilities	<ul> <li>Volunteering time to take a personal interest in others</li> <li>Active listening</li> <li>Questioning and finding out what is important to others, by exploring their skills, aptitudes and aspiration</li> <li>Challenging assumptions and acting as a soundboard</li> <li>Recognising when the mentee should be identifying a need for other sources of help</li> <li>Guiding applicants in identify opportunities and making choices that enable acquisition of competences required for registration, where this is a desired goal</li> </ul>
How this role supports our vision and mission	Professional Registration Advisors Inspire, Inform and Influence our Practitioner, Academia, Industry and Society audiences.  This role is inspiring the next generation of engineers and technicians.  It's supporting our Engineering Excellence theme by playing a key role in supporting our members to gain registration.
Period of appointment	Appointment is continuous, as long as the required training remains up to date.

Time Commitment	To ensure currency in the role, you will need to commit to a minimum of five days per year.  You'll work with your mentees as and when they contact you – with regular (monthly or quarterly) meetings as they work towards registration.
Appointment method	Complete and submit the reviewed you will receive confirmation of you appointment, along with the steps.
Induction	<ul> <li>Upon engagement you will be provided with:</li> <li>All IET Volunteers are required to read/sign our Volunteer Code of</li> <li>Conduct and a set of legislation-related policies and complete a Safeguarding training module. This mandatory activity is undertaken through a web-based e-learning system.</li> <li>Volunteers' Handbook</li> <li>Access to IET EngX® online volunteering community</li> <li>Other volunteer policies and guidance are provided on IET EngX®</li> </ul>
Training	<ul> <li>Training is provided to all appointed Mentors</li> <li>Mandatory revalidation training every three years</li> </ul>
Point of contact	The regular contact for this role will be the Volunteering, Training and Development team  Apply to become a Professional Development Mentor To apply for the above please complete our short form

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