Making the most of being an IET mentor

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8 tips on how to be a great mentor

Before you meet with your mentee, it’s worth thinking about how you can get off to a great start and develop a relationship that works for you both.

1. Take an honest and open approach, so that you quickly build up trust.
2. Make the time to meet regularly with your mentee.
3. Be willing to give and receive constructive feedback.
4. Empathise with and reassure your mentee, so they gain the confidence to manage their own development.
5. Provide guidance and support but be mindful that you can’t provide careers advice.
6. Find out what’s important to your mentee and explore their skills, experience and aspirations.
7. Keep your mentee’s information confidential.
8. Familiarise yourself with Career Manager, so that you can advise your mentee on using it.
Track your Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Mentoring isn’t just about seeing your mentee grow in experience, skills and confidence.

You too will develop your soft skills, knowledge of the profession and the Professional Registration process.

Record what you’re learning for future reference, using our online tool Career Manager. Logging your CPD is also a great way to familiarise yourself with the Career Manager system.

Visit theiet.org/career-manager to log-in or create an account
Training

You’ll receive full support, including training to prepare you for your role.

You’ll need to repeat training every three years, and in the meantime, we’ll keep you updated on any changes to the registration process and provide you with additional training if necessary.

Share your experience

Share your experiences with us, good or bad, so we can continue to improve our mentoring scheme.

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