

Employability Mentoring FAQ

Q. What backgrounds do our mentors come from?

Why is this important to address?

When signing up to the project a potential mentee may wish to know what represents a typical mentor and where they come from in terms of industry background. This will help them to understand the types of people that get involved as mentors. Equally a mentor may wish to know what other mentors we have participating to help them validate their involvement and offer them peace of mind on their suitability.

What we say about it?

Our mentors come from varied industrial backgrounds. We therefore promote out via various methods to recruit mentors ranging predominantly from our alumni office, shared contacts within careers and the professional networks of academics. When promoting through these channels we seek mentors who are:

- Locally based / regionally based / nationally based / internationally based
- DMU alumni / other university alumni / non university graduate
- Seeking mentoring in own time / in company time / through CSR / through partnership with DMU
- From VCS, private and public sectors
- Self-employed / employed / 'in between' work based opportunities / an employer
- Undertaking mentoring as part of accredited learning
- Wanting to offer industry specific mentoring / non industry specific mentoring / both
- A recent graduate (ideally at least one year post-graduation) established / senior / management / board member

Our actions and response

We aim to ensure that we listen and assess your needs in order to identify the best possible match for you. We will do this taking the above preferences in to account when recruiting.

How you can help

As a potential mentee, please be open as to us as you can with regards to your requirements so we are clear of whom to look for in searching for the right mentor. As a potential mentor please be open and honest about your skills, position and experience in order to facilitate the correct matching with a mentee.

Contact us

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