

INDUSTRY MENTORING NETWORK IN STEM – Engage 

MENTEE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

# What is IMNIS Engage?

The IMNIS (Industry Mentoring Network in STEM) Engage program is an award-winning industry engagement initiative of the Australian Academy of Technology and Engineering (ATSE).

IMNIS Engage connects motivated PhD students and early career researchers with outstanding industry leaders in a one-year mentoring and professional development program. It provides Australia’s future STEM leaders the opportunity to engage with industry, extend their professional network, strengthen their interpersonal skills and business acumen, and gain advice from a high-profile industry mentor.

**What does IMNIS Engage do for mentees?**

Mentees learn what it takes to succeed in any part of the STEM ecosystem, gain a better understanding of how industry works and learn about career opportunities beyond academia.

Mentors (industry leaders) and mentees (confirmed PhD students/postdocs up to 3 years post-PhD graduation) meet for 1 hour each month. Guidelines are provided and state-level networking events are hosted by IMNIS to allow mentors and mentees to network and connect more broadly.

***IMNIS will expose you to industry careers, but it is not a job placement program***

***IMNIS is an opportunity to increase your understanding of industry, extend your professional skills, learn what it takes to succeed, and expand your network***

There are limited places on the IMNIS Engage Program and a diverse range of the most suitable candidates will be short-listed for participation. This Expression of Interest will provide your organisation with information for the selection process. Interested second year PhD students are strongly encouraged to apply. You can learn more about IMNIS at [imnis.org.au.](http://www.imnis.org.au/)

Please fill in and email your completed questionnaire to [hdr.development@flinders.edu.au](mailto:hdr.development@flinders.edu.au%20) by Wednesday, 7 June, 2023. Successful students will be invited to enrol in Mentorloop - the IMNIS online platform.

# All of STEM Inclusive?

IMNIS Engage is inclusive of all STEM disciplines with ATSE’s priority areas encouraged. These are:

* **Advanced Manufacturing** –research disciplines focused on the research, development and application of advanced machines, manufacturing, and materials to enhance products or processes, and increase competitiveness in the manufacturing sectors.
* **Agriculture and Water Resources** –research disciplines focused on increasing the utilisation and uptake of technology, engineering and science in offsetting and reducing pressures to agriculture, water resources and food value chains.
* **Digital Futures –**research disciplines focused on the development and application of information and communication technologies, as well as the advancement of digital transformation in industry and society.
* **Energy Resources, Renewables, Minerals & METS (mining equipment, technology and services)** – research disciplines focused on the development and application of technology to improve the sustainability and reduce the carbon footprint of Australia’s energy supplies, as well as pathways to efficient and sustainable mineral resource management.
* **Health -** scientific investigations that seek to improve health and wellbeing through prevention, identification and curing of disease, injury and disability, and lead to improved treatment options and increased knowledge about all factors in human health.
* **Med-Tech/Pharma** –research disciplines relevant to the medical technologies, biotechnologies, and pharmaceuticals sectors.

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| **1. Personal details** | |
| University or Research Institute: | Flinders University |
| College: |  |
| Name: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Student Number: |  |
| Phone/Mobile: |  |
| Location (City, State): |  |

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| **2. Eligibility** |
| Are you in the second year of your PhD? |
| * I have completed/or will have completed my Confirmation of Candidature by 1 July 2023 * I will be enrolled as a PhD student for the whole duration of the program until 30 June 2024 |

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| **3. Potential future roles** |
| Identify two possible roles, which you aspire to in the next 2–5 years. |

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| Position: | Location: e.g. Australia, International |
| 1. |  |
| 2. |  |

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| **4. Mentee Objective:** |
| What motivated you to learn about industry and seek industry mentoring, and what do you want to achieve from participating in the industry engagement and IMNIS Engage program? (List top 3 things) |
| 1. |
| 2. |
| 3. |

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| **5. Commitment** |
| Please indicate you are willing to commit the necessary time to meet your mentor (1 hour per month for 12 months) and attend IMNIS Engage events as a participant in this program. |
| Yes I can commit  No I cannot commit |

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| **6. Signature of Applicant** |
| Ensure you tick the box before signing:   * I have discussed this opportunity and received approval from my supervisor to take part in the program |
| Signature: |
| Name: |
| Date: |

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| **7. Signature of Principle Supervisor** |
| Ensure you tick the box before signing:   * I support the applicant to take part in the program |
| Signature: |
| Name: |
| Date: |

**Please note:** we understand circumstances can change. If you are no longer able to participate in the IMNIS Engage program, you must notify hdr.development@flinders.edu.au by email within 7 days.

Thanks for your interest in IMNIS!