



CHILLIWACK
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



CENTRE FOR EXPERIENTIAL
AND CAREER EDUCATION

Seeking Mentors, Speakers and Problem-Solvers:

CHILLIWACK CONNECT: STUDENT INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Help UFRV Students find their place.



The University of the Fraser Valley is looking to recruit community individuals, businesses, and organizations to enter our classrooms as guest speakers, industry experts, business mentors and challengers of work-specific problems. These engagements provide UFV students with practical experience, industry insight, a community network, and most of all confidence in pursuing their future careers.



Your engagement with UFV students could be limited to an hour as a guest speaker, or more involved by pitching a challenge your organization is experiencing to a class of students who act as your consultants for the entire semester. We need judges to evaluate student presentations, leaders to provide industry insight over a cup of coffee, hosts to invite students for a site tour of your business, and panel speakers to present at networking events.



You and your organization benefit from helping our students.

- Students have "fresh eyes" and can offer new insights or ideas to the problems you are experiencing
- Someone likely helped you along your career path; this is your way to give back or perhaps, pay it forward to the next generation
- Getting to know our students can be an early recruiting tool for your organization to attract local talent.
- Word of mouth is the best way to market your business or organization, by working with our students you have now introduced new potential clients from the community.

If you are interested in exploring this further, please find application form in pages to follow.

For any questions, please contact
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Partner Intake Form

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Industry: Click or tap here to enter text.

Organization: Click or tap here to enter text.

Email: Click or tap here to enter text.

ENGAGEMENT PREFERENCES

Please check all that interest you (the estimated times are over one semester: 4-month period):

- ☐ **Guest Speaker (1–3 hrs)**
- ☐ **Mentor for student, 30 min coffee chats (2-5 hrs)**
- ☐ **Information Interview participant (1 hr)**
- ☐ **Panelist for networking event (2–3 hrs)**
- ☐ **Host for site visit at your organization (1–2 hrs)**
- ☐ **Judge for student projects (3–8 hrs)**

Larger Commitments

- ☐ **Client for student project (1–4 hrs a week; varies based on the type and length of the project).**
- ☐ **I am interested in challenging students with a project that is specific to my organization.**

Many organizations experience increased workload at specific times each year. Please indicate which semester (4-month period), you prefer to work with our students.

- ☐ **January – April**
- ☐ **May – August**
- ☐ **September – December**

What additional information would you like to share with us:

Click or tap here to enter text.

Please indicate your preferred areas of collaboration with our students and faculty:

Click or tap here to enter text.