Student Welcome | Invitation to Join WITonCampus + Participate in the Professional Connection Program

If you're pursuing an educational path centered around technology and are looking forward to building a career using those talents – we're glad we found you!

We want to share a bit more about our diverse group of talented women. The mission of **Women in Technology Wisconsin (WIT)** is to attract, grow and retain women of all ages in technology-related careers.

WIT collaborates with professionals, companies, and communities to help women in technology of all ages and stages. From the classroom to the boardroom, we provide a variety of leadership development, technology education, networking, and mentoring opportunities for women and girls.

Since the 2014 launch in northeast Wisconsin, the mission of WIT has ignited strong regional interest. Today, the group celebrates the addition of chapters in the Southeastern and Southwestern parts of the state. WIT's three main pillars of focus include; WIT4girls, WITonCampus, and WIT@work.

You're in the perfect place to benefit from our campus program.

WITonCampus' primary goal is to support women pursuing technological education & careers. Some campuses have or are exploring forming WITonCampus clubs. Even if your college doesn't have a formal group, becoming a member of our not-for-profit organization is open (at no cost) for any qualified student.

Here are some of the benefits of joining WIT through WITonCampus:

- Enjoy a _free_ student WIT membership
- Access WIT meetings, webinars, etc.
- Participate in the Professional Connection Program (PCP) and obtain mentoring/coaching from a professional
- Expand your knowledge of the technology profession and various opportunities
- Create a strong network you can leverage now and, in the future
- Establish new leadership credentials by participating in or starting WITonCampus programing and educational opportunities for fellow students

Becoming a WIT Student Member is quick and easy:

Just select the student membership option on our website and fill in your information.

Don't miss the WITonCampus Professional Connection Program!

Our WITonCampus Professional Connection Program (PCP) is a compelling way to build your skills and network. The PCP program pairs a professional with a student, most often for a semester, where they work together to accomplish goals set by the student.

Here's what the program looks like:

Student's Role & Expectations:

- Establish 1 to 3 goals to accomplish
- Deploy active listening skills and be an open learner
- Build the PCP relationship by recommending, planning, and participating in activities together
- Demonstrate mutual respect
- Communicate with your professional at least monthly
- Share your feedback with an end of program survey

Participation Requirements:
- Desire to build a career in a technology related area
- Are open and interested in interacting with professionals
- Demonstrate a dependable and consistent commitment to communication

Student Time Commitment:
- Make a time commitment based on the Jan 2022 overview >>
- Spend a minimum of a couple of hours a month with a matched professional to maximize your relationship
- Participate in WITonCampus events (if offered at your campus) or participate in regular WIT meetings

Opportunities:
- Taking your education to the career market – what types of jobs are there?
- How does my technical degree open doors I may not even know exist?
- Preparing for and executing a Job Search while improving your networking skills

Deadline:
The January 2022 Professional Connection Program application is open from:
Monday, Nov 8 to Friday, Nov 19th, 2021. *(Watch the website for Fall 2022 program information.)*

Interested? Let's get you started:

1.) If you're not a WIT member, start by joining on our website. Just select the Student Membership option, add your information and submit. (Membership is open year-round.)
2.) Share your interest in the Professional Connection Program by filling out and submitting a short interest form during the open submission timeframe.

Your information will be matched with our pool of professionals to be best aligned with your interests and goals. Introductions will be made between each pair and your direct connection will officially begin in Jan 2022.

If you have any questions about joining Women in Technology as a Student Member, participating in our Professional Connection program, or forming a WITonCampus club at your school, please feel free to reach out. We're excited to get to know you better and help guide your professional journey.

JAN 2022

Professional Connections Program Overview:

APPLICATION:
Open: 11/8/21 | Close: 11/19/21

MATCH NOTIFICATION:
December 2021

*KICK-OFF MEETING [Virtual]:
Week of January 10th, 2022

OFFICIAL CLOSE of PROGRAM:
4/22/22

*COVID Accommodations: WIT is committed to the safety of our Professional and Student Members. Most events are currently virtual. Any WIT member-to-member meetings should follow current school, WI and CDC guidelines.

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