

## WHAT DO MENTEES SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM?

'It encourages me to ask more questions in class.'

'It is really fun and is helping me to improve a variety of skills.'

'I need help with homework and I don't have anyone at home that can help me so the program helps with that.'

'I think the program will help me to get to my future job.'



## FIND OUT MORE

For more information on the Mentoring and Tutoring Program, please email [homework@deakin.edu.au](mailto:homework@deakin.edu.au).

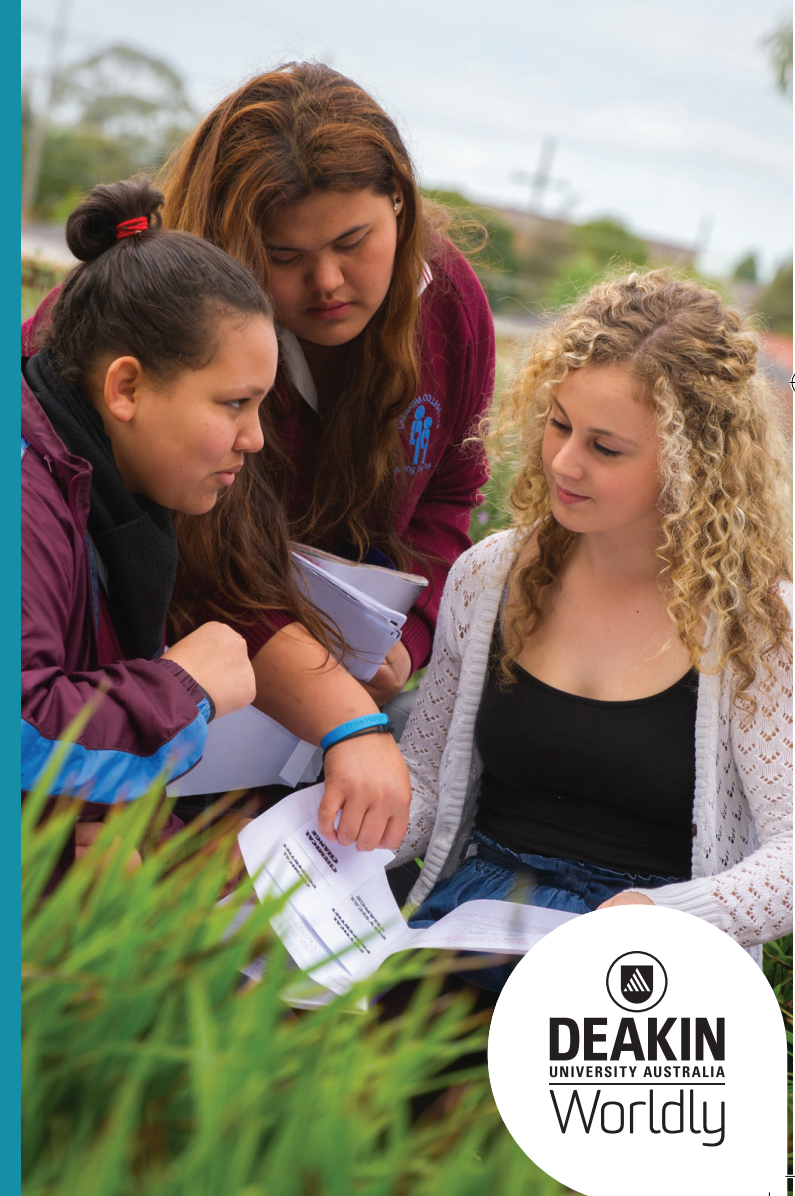
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## Mentoring and Tutoring Project





## WHAT IS THE MENTORING AND TUTORING PROGRAM?

The Mentoring and Tutoring Program is a Deakin University initiative that sees Deakin students from a range of faculties act as mentors to secondary school students. The program is aimed at improving secondary school students' learning through mentoring and tutoring, and building their aspirations towards higher education. It has the added benefit of developing Deakin students' skills and enabling them to establish contacts with school communities.

## WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM INVOLVE?

Deakin mentors meet regularly with the secondary school students in their schools, during school hours, over a two to three year period. The mentoring sessions are held in either one-on-one or small group environments. As well as having regular contact with Deakin staff, the mentors are supervised by a school-appointed coordinator and receive ongoing training. They are required to undertake a Working with Children Check prior to commencing the program.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM?

- Develops confidence, communication and social skills.
- Increases secondary school students' interest in learning and develops their skills for learning.
- Enables Deakin students to act as role models and gain experience in mentoring and tutoring.

## WHAT DO SCHOOL COORDINATORS SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM?

'Meeting somebody from university and hearing some of their stories inspires the students to go to university.'

'The program is really aimed at giving the students a bit of leg up or a bit of a head start.'

'I have noticed a difference with the mentored students in terms of their motivation.'

'I think it's just great for the students to have a role model.'



## WHAT DO MENTORS SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM?

'Seeing the students build on their skills is very rewarding. You go back every fortnight and you can see a gradual improvement in their understanding of things that they didn't grasp last time.'

'Getting to know students outside of the class setting can be really good for just building rapport with students.'

'I volunteered because I'm currently studying teaching and I thought that if I had some one-on-one interactions with students, I could think of ways to be a better teacher.'

'I actually got to teach the students for the hour. It's really worthwhile.'