Young People's Engagement Volunteer

Volunteer Role Descriptor

1. Introduction

Are you interested in inspiring the next generation? There are a wealth of opportunities that members can get involved with, either organised by IChemE or other education organisations with whom we work. Examples of the type of activities you could be involved with are:

- presenting at a school's careers fair
- running a hands-on activity at workshop event which shows children some aspect of engineering such as problem solving
- giving a talk to a local school about your career pathway
- hosting a visit from a local school to your place of work
- supporting a school to take part in a national engineering competition
- supporting IChemE staff to develop educational materials
- mentoring students as they complete their own engineering research project
- supporting students learning online

2. What you will be doing

Engaging with young people to raise awareness of the range of industries in the sector and the wealth of roles available to them.

Duties and responsibilities will vary according to the activity being undertaken but all volunteers will be fully briefed ahead of any activities and have a point of contact for any questions.

3. About you

You will need to be:

- a chemical or process engineer, either individually or as part of a team of engineers
- be a member (any grade) of the Institution

4. How you will benefit

Benefits of volunteering:

- personal satisfaction that your contribution helps to support and inspire future chemical engineers
- networking opportunities
- enhances your own CPD for longer term career development
- improved communication skills for different audiences, explaining technical concepts in a simple way
- demonstrates professional commitment to the profession (required for Section E of the C&C report)

5. Time commitment

Time commitments will vary depending on the outreach activity, from an hour to a full day.

7. How to apply & appointment method

Please apply using the "apply now" button on this advert on the website. The volunteering team will be in contact with further information.

8. Induction & training

You will be provided with information on IChemE's GDPR guidelines and be required to read and understand our safeguarding guidance. IChemE is committed to providing a safe, positive and inclusive experience for all young people who participate in our activities.

Do I need to be DBS checked (Disclosure and Barring Service)?
Yes in the UK. Volunteers in the UK must register with STEM Ambassadors, apply for and receive the required enhanced DBS (with children's barred list) check through STEM Ambassadors, and complete their induction and safeguarding training.

When working elsewhere, volunteers must follow the school or organiser's safeguarding procedures and any equivalent local requirements.

9. Further information

Expenses for the activities:

It is not anticipated that this volunteering will incur significant expenses. Volunteers will likely be working with a school a local school or event, or carrying out the role online. Any expenses will need to be agreed in advance.

Is the role location specific?	No

For further information please contact volunteer@icheme.org

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