

UCT Department of Computer Science Computer Science Mentors

Welcome and Introduction



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Goals / Vision

Goals:

- Increase student success
- Help students who are at risk
- Avoid things going terribly wrong

Vision:

- A supportive community environment to study CS
- A sense of belonging for all
- A basic common ground for all





What does a mentor do?

4 minutes discussion ...



Mentees

- We expect ~100 Computer Science majors in the Faculty of Science
 - This is not the entire CSC1015 class
 - Other faculties have their own programmes
 - Other Science departments will be catered for by the faculty
- □ 1 Mentor --- ~6 Mentees
- Wunmi will do a random assignment
- hussein will email all the mentees





Meetings

- Meetings with mentees:
 - About one hour, every week
 - Maybe over lunch or any other time
 - You must schedule this with your mentees
 - Should be a group meeting
- Meetings with coordinator:
 - Once a month
- Meetings with department:
 - Training workshop (today)
 - Awards lunch (end of year)





Staff

- Omowunmi Isafiade
 - Senior tutor
 - Coordinator of the programme
- hussein
 - Staff-level management
- Gary Stewart, Stephan Jamieson
 - Staff who will assist where necessary



Whats in it for you?

- Sense of fulfilment
- Learning new skills in working with people
- Certificate
- Getting to know some staff better
- Something for your CV and for references



Questions?







