

CS Peer Mentoring or Student Guide Scheme

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What is the *Computer Science Peer Mentoring Scheme*?

- A scheme of *students helping students*
- This year with a focus on help for second year students
- An instance of the wider concept of Peer-assisted learning
- *Student-led activity*
- *Goals:* Share experience, give tips, avoid pitfalls (across academic and social issues)
- Run as an opt-in scheme, i.e. voluntary, in Computer Science

Why is this useful for me?

- Build a *learning community* and learn from more senior peers
- Get practical tips on academic and other university-related matters (internships etc)
- Form study groups for material on current courses
- Tackle the feeling of isolation that has been creeping in over the last few years

Setup of CS Peer Mentoring

- The set-up is deliberately informal and can change based on preferences in the group
- Sign-up *today after this lecture just outside JW1/JW2*: scan the code on the last slide
- Group allocation *today 16:00 just outside JW1/JW2*
- Each group should identify a *regular meeting slot*
- Discuss potential activities and a preferred slot in the initial meeting today.
- Ideas for concrete activities:
 - “Try-out-kit” session: we can provide robots, oculus rift and other kit (available on loan) and you can try it out
 - “Games programming in Unity”: learn about Unity, starting from scratch
 - “(Board-) gaming session” we can bring some simple board games, let groups play through a game and reflect

- **Your peer mentors (mostly fourth year students):**
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Please sign-up now!

CS Peer Mentoring sign-up

