



Mentee discussion guide

Thanks for signing up for Coffee Chats! Many have struggled this past term, especially those trying to start a new chapter – maybe you're a new student starting your time here at Waterloo, or trying to break into a particular field, or preparing for your next internship.

So above all, the Tech+ UW team would like to thank you. The fact that you've pushed your way through and continue to try to be the best you is the reason why Tech+ is even here today.

What can you talk about?

It might be nerve-wracking to talk to your Coffee Chatters (mentors). Rest assured, they're understanding and reflect all of Tech+'s core values, which means that you can talk about anything you and your Chatters are comfortable discussing.

To help you get started, we've listed some topics below that may interest you, but by no means is this an exhaustive list.

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Co-op and academics

Chatters are well-versed in the tech domains you're interested in and they've been navigating university life for 2+ years, so don't be afraid to ask about their experiences!

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Personal experiences

Whether you're interested in side projects, work/life balance, getting involved in extracurricular activities or anything in between, your Chatters have advice and anecdotes that you can learn from!



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How to break into or grow in the industry🚀

Some of us have a dream company or job, but what can we do to get there, and what do we do once we're there?

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Resources🔗

Part of our Chatters' talents come from resources they've found and learned from over the years, which you can tap into to broaden your own perspectives.

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Their story🌟

If you don't know where to start, asking about your Chatters' path to where they are currently is a great way to start the chat and discover topics you want to learn more about!

Notes

You are not required to prepare for your Coffee Chats, but being prepared with ideas of how your Chatter can help you make the most of your chat often results in more fruitful conversations.

We understand this is a tough time for all of you and we're inspired by your desire to grow despite the obstacles. If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, feel free to reach out through any social channel ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#)) or through our email techplusuw@gmail.com.

With regards,

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