

## WHACK Call for Mentors!

Wellesley College Campus Center

September 24-25

We're inviting mentors to WHACK, Wellesley College's 3rd annual Fall hackathon, to help teams succeed by advising and guiding them through the duration of this exciting event. WHACK provides an inclusive, safe space for undergrads, Wellesley students, and first-time hackers to discover their creative potential.

An ideal mentor should have:

- A background in Web Development, Software Engineering, UX/UI Design, and/or Computer Science
- An energetic approach for facilitating teamwork, problem solving, and workflow
- A love for hackathons!

**Team Mentors:** Each team will be guided by a mentor. We will release mentor/team assignments prior to the hackathon so that teams have the opportunity to get in touch, brainstorm project ideas, and get a sense for team dynamics. During the hackathon, mentors are expected to stay or be on call with their team (with breaks for sleep, food, etc.). A mentor's chief objective is to be a resource for their team--providing advice about developing the project, directing to helpful resources, and answering general questions to the best of their ability. We also encourage mentors to communicate with other mentors about questions or observations.

**Walk-around mentors:** These individuals are not required to stay for the whole duration of the hackathon. Walk-around mentors will be free to roam around, talk to and provide advice to various teams, host workshops, etc.

**We are looking to match every team with a full-time team mentor**, so we would prefer team mentors. However, walk-around mentors are welcome as well!

Mentoring is an amazing opportunity to network with current undergraduates working towards computer science and technical degrees. Mentors have the ability to inspire, teach, and lead students to success in a way that will create lasting professional bonds at our hackathon.

WHACK will be held at the Wellesley College Campus Center on September 24-25. If you have an interest in mentoring (and a weakness for some yummy food), please contact Grace and Amanda at [hack@wellesley.edu](mailto:hack@wellesley.edu). The organizers and hackers look forward to having you!

Best wishes,

WHACK Co-Chairs (Grace Hu & Amanda Foun)