

## Activity 4: Mentor Matching & Intervention Recommendations

### 1. Objective

The objective of this activity is to translate machine learning-based student segmentation into actionable mentoring interventions. The system connects ML insights with real-world academic support mechanisms.

### 2. Input Data

The system uses two primary datasets:

- Student Dataset:
  - Academic Scores
  - Student Risk Index (SRI)
  - ML-Based Cluster Labels (At-Risk, High Performer, Career-Confused)
- Mentor Dataset (mentors.csv):
  - Mentor ID
  - Expertise (Academic / Wellness / Career)
  - Maximum Student Capacity
  - Current Assigned Load

### 3. End-to-End Workflow

#### Step 1: Student Segmentation (From Previous Activity)

Students are clustered using K-Means into three categories: At-Risk, High Performers, and Career-Confused.

#### Step 2: Cluster to Intervention Mapping

Each cluster is mapped to a specific mentor expertise and intervention type:

- At-Risk → Wellness Mentor → Wellness + Academic Support
- High Performer → Academic Mentor → Advanced Mentorship
- Career-Confused → Career Mentor → Career Guidance & Skill Mapping

#### Step 3: Intelligent Mentor Assignment

For each student, the system:

1. Filters mentors based on required expertise.
2. Checks mentor availability ( $\text{Current\_Load} < \text{Max\_Students}$ ).
3. Assigns the mentor with the lowest current workload.
4. Updates mentor workload dynamically.

#### Step 4: High-Risk Alert Generation

Students classified as At-Risk with high SRI scores trigger an 'Immediate Intervention Required' alert. This simulates an early warning system for proactive support.

#### **Step 5: Final Recommendation Table**

The final output includes:

- Student ID
- Cluster Label
- Recommended Mentor Type
- Assigned Mentor
- Suggested Intervention
- Alert Status

#### **4. System Impact**

This system demonstrates a complete AI-driven decision support workflow:

Data Collection → ML Segmentation → Insight Extraction → Intervention Mapping → Mentor Allocation → Alert Generation.

It ensures scalable, fair, and proactive student mentoring.

