**CCSE Hackathon Student Schedule & Information:**

Peter Hansen will be manning the Information Table for any questions you have during the hackathon.

**General Idea:**

You should not approach this hackathon as if it is a test that you must make a 100. It is a challenge in which your approach and progress are measured as much as your results. Meet with the sponsors on Thursday night to discuss the challenge in depth and ask any up front questions, plus get contact info and schedule of when the mentors plan to be on campus. You will also receive your t-shirt from the sponsor. Friday (4pm-10pm) and Saturday (9am-10pm) are when you will develop your solution to the challenge with the mentors to assist when they are on campus. Dress for these days is casual (as if you are in class). Being on campus is the best way to have instant access to the mentors and be able to bounce ideas and get immediate reactions and answers to questions. When you are off campus, you can certainly continue working with your teams. On Saturday night, I suggest you begin to develop your presentation. You will have approx. 10 minutes to present on Sunday morning to the sponsor’s judging team, including Q&A and setup. I suggest you keep it simple with 5 slides depicting what you developed. If you have a demo, make sure the sponsors can see what you are showing on the screen – otherwise, it’s not a successful presentation. Make sure you introduce your entire team on a slide! NOTE: If a team has 5 members and only 3 showed up during the weekend, then the other 2 members have forfeited their right to have their names on the project. If you have questions about this, contact me, Prof. Dawn Tatum at 404-444-3748 during the hackathon or via email at [dtatum7@kennesaw.edu](mailto:dtatum7@kennesaw.edu). On Sunday morning, we will have breakfast starting at 8am, then all teams will present to their sponsors in order (Team A1 first, then Team A2….etc.). Check the rooms where you will be presenting and get ready to present starting at 9am. At 11am, when all teams have presented, the judges will tally their votes and turn in their judging pages to the information desk – where I will transfer the names of the winning students and the teams to the awards ceremony slide show. During this time, I ask that you send me as an attachment you presentation slide deck. This is so that we can share with future students the winning presentations to help them better prepare.

**Thursday, October 5th, 5-8:30pm (Dinner provided in Building I2-Design2 Lobby)**

5-6pm: Registrant Check-In (Check-In Building J – Lobby)

**Registration will be divided by Sponsor, so check in at the sponsor for your challenge.**

**You will receive your name badge (necessary to receive food!) and welcome backpack.**

**T-shirts will be handed out by your sponsor during your breakout sessions at 6:30pm.**

6:00: Welcome (Food – I2, Lobby; Welcome –Building I2-Design 2, Room 112)

**Grab some pizza over in the lobby of Design 2 and get ready to start!**

6:15: Introduction (Building I2-Design 2, Room 112)

**We will all gather in the auditorium briefly for an introduction and welcome from the CCSE Dean.**

6:30-8:30: Team Breakout Sessions/ Company-Team Thread Introduction/Discussion

Anthem – Joe Mack Wilson Student Center, Ballroom A (Rep: Dawn Tatum, 1 volunteer)

InComm– Jack Mack Wilson Student Center, Ballroom B (Rep: Dawn Tatum, 1 volunteer)

Travelport – Building J, Room 161 (Rep: William Forsyth, 1 volunteer)

HPCC Systems – Building J, Main Computer Lab 263 (Rep: Sarah North,1 volunteer)

YouAreHere – Building H- Room 200 (Rep: Bruce Skillin, 1 volunteer)

**You will have this time to sit with your sponsors to discuss the challenges in depth and find out what they are**

**expecting from you. Ask them lots of questions and show your excitement! Find out if they are looking for “out of the box” thinking, creativity, mockups, coding, etc. Ask them how they will judge? The sponsors will provide you with your t-shirt and give you the contact information and schedule of when they will have mentors on campus and on #slack during the weekend. I encourage you to take notes of what they tell you -- this information will not be posted and I cannot provide it for you later. It is in your best interest to take advantage of when the mentors are on campus to get their insight and bounce ideas off of them as you are developing. This will make for a better end result. Once this session is over, you and your team can begin brainstorming off campus. Friday (4pm-10pm) and Saturday (9am-10pm) will be the hours of the hackathon on campus. This does not mean that you can’t develop off campus --- you certainly can.**

**Friday, October 6th, 4-10pm (Dinner provided in Building J)**

4-10pm: Team Work

Anthem Teams- Building J, Room 156 (Lab Assistant assigned)

InComm Teams – Building J, Room 215B

Travelport Teams– Building J, Room 260

HPCC Systems Teams, Building J, Main Lab – 263

YouAreHere Teams, Building J, Gaming Lab -Room 202 (Lab Assistant assigned)

(rooms available for overflow-165,201L,211, 161,265)

**This is a time to develop on campus and work with your mentors to come up with solutions to the challenges. It is in your best interest to be there with the mentors. They have taken the time to be there for you – because they care about you becoming the best you can be. They also hope that you will join their company, so they want to get to know you as well. Take advantage of this gift!**

**Saturday, October 7th, 9am-10pm, Team Work**

9-9:30am – Breakfast provided

12:30-1:30pm – Lunch provided

4-5pm – Dinner provided

Anthem Teams- Building J, Room 156 (Lab Assistant assigned)

InComm Teams – Building J, Room 215B

Travelport Teams– Building J, Room 260

HPCC Systems Teams, Building J, Main Lab – Building J, Room 263

YouAreHere Teams, Building J, Gaming Lab -Room 202 (Lab Assistant assigned)

(rooms available for overflow-110,131,151, 158,165,201L, 211, 217, 265)

**This is a time to develop on campus and work with your mentors to come up with solutions to the challenges. It is in your best interest to be there with the mentors. They have taken the time to be there for you – because they care about you becoming the best you can be. They also hope that you will join their company, so they want to get to know you as well. Take advantage of this gift! Start developing your presentation Saturday night! Remember you will have 10 minutes total for setup/present/Q&A. I suggest you keep it simple with 5 slides depicting what you developed. If you have a demo, make sure the sponsors can see what you are showing on the screen – otherwise, it’s not a successful presentation. Make sure you introduce your entire team on a slide! And yes, the entire team should be there to present (except in case of emergencies).**

**Sunday, October 8th, 8am-2pm**

8-9am – Breakfast – **in the J Lobby**

9-11am – Team Presentations & Judging

**Present your solutions to the judges! Dress for Sunday is Business Casual – example: khakis/casual slacks/polo . Remember this is not only a competition, but a preliminary job interview.**

Anthem Judging- Building M-100 (Rep: Becky Rutherfoord)

InComm Judging- Building J-152 (Rep: Svetlana Peltsverger)

Travelport Judging- Building H-200 (Rep: William Forsyth)

HPCC Systems Judging –Building I2-112 (Rep: Sarah North)

YouAreHere Judging – Building H-203 (Rep: Bruce Skillin)

11-12:30 - Break & Networking

**The hard work is over! Take a break and remember to send your presentation to Dawn Tatum @ [dtatum7@kennesaw.edu](mailto:dtatum7@kennesaw.edu). Use this time to network and talk among your friends before the ceremony begins.**

12:30-2pm – Networking Reception & Awards Ceremony (Wellness Center, located at Technology Way Entrance)

12:30-1pm: Networking & Food

**Gather some food and find a place to sit. It is advised that you sit with your team.**

**If your team is announced as a winner, you will be requested to come up onto the stage and receive your prize. You will have your picture taken while on stage with the sponsor. Afterwards, you will return to your seat. At the end of the ceremony, sponsors would like ALL teams to come and take pictures with them as a whole and then the winners will also get a separate picture.**

1pm: Awards Ceremony Welcome

1:15: Anthem Results, Award Presentations/Pictures

1:30: InComm Results, Award Presentations/Pictures

1:45: Travelport Results, Award Presentations/Pictures

2:00: HPCC Results, Award Presentations/Pictures

2:15: YouAreHere Results, Award Presentations/Pictures

Student **NOTES:**

**Thursday, Oct 5th, 5-8:30pm**

Students will check-in at Building J –Lobby. You will be given a badge and backpack. There is a lanyard in your backpack and it is suggested that you use it to keep up with your badge. **Your badge is required to get food!** Food is always served in Building J Lobby with the exception of Thursday night, when it will be at Design 2 Lobby and Sunday afternoon, when it will be at the Wellness and Recreation Center.

**Friday, Oct 6th, 4-10pm/Saturday, Oct 7th, 9am-10pm**

You will report directly to the assigned room for your sponsor to work.

**Sunday, Oct 8th, 9am-11am**

Breakfast will be from 8-9am in the J Lobby, then report to the room assigned to your sponsor for presentations.

**Sunday, Oct 8th, 11am-12:30pm**

This is open time. Make your way to the Wellness and Recreation Center by 12:30pm.

**Sunday, Oct 8th, 12:30pm-1pm**

Get some food at the Wellness and Recreation Center and find a seat. Sit with your team. Wait for the awards!