

## **Clark College BS CS Industry Partnerships**

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Industry partners are an integral part of Clark College Computer Science (CS) programs and a major contributor to its success. Industry partners engage with CS programs at one or more of the following levels:

### **Guest Speaker**

Guest speakers provide a real world perspective on opportunities, trends and challenges of current career in Computer Science based on their own experience. Presentations are informal either in-person or over Zoom. Typically, presentations are 20 minutes plus 10 minutes of Q/A.

### **Domain Expert**

CS programs rely upon working professionals to leverage their field expertise in advising and providing feedback on course content, tools and process. Five areas of special interest include Artificial Intelligence, Cyber Security, Mobile Computing, Embedded System and Cloud Computing. Time Commitment is typically less than 4 hours per year.

### **Program Advisor**

Clark College relies on current employers to advise the program team on preparation required for developing an employable and successful Computer Scientist. Time Commitment is typically less than 8 hours per year.

### **Project Mentor**

Clark CS programs are project-based, and students learn by working on real world projects. The programs rely on industry partners to suggest projects for student teams. Partner ability to mentor students increases project and student success. Time commitment varies depending on project type or level of involvement.

### **Faculty Position**

Clark CS program faculty are professionals with five or more years of industry experience with master's or PhD degrees in their field. Industry partners with interest and expertise are among our successful faculty. Our program welcomes interested professionals. Time Commitment is typically 15 hours per credit per term.

### **Internship/Coop/Career**

Industry partners benefit from early exposure to talented and motivated students in the program for internship and Coop. Continued exposure to graduating students for full-time positions at your company. Of course, students benefit from increased opportunities to engage in real world projects.

### **Others**

Clark College CS Program Team is interested in exploring new ways of engaging with industry partners. Please let us know if you have any other suggestions.