



Who are the partners?

The University of New South Wales in partnership with the New South Wales Department of Premier and Cabinet, Office for Women are preparing to launch the Lucy Mentoring Program in Session 2, 2007.

What is LUCY?

Lucy is an innovative leadership program with a primary focus on female university students studying law, business, finance and accounting. The Program inspires, motivates and educates women about the opportunities available for employment and leadership in the public and private sectors.

The Program aims to increase the number of women in senior executive positions in the areas of business, finance, economics, accounting and law by establishing mentoring relationships between women undergraduate students and mentors who are senior professionals.

Who is LUCY aimed at?

The Program will encourage the development of women, who, given the right opportunities and support, will become our future leaders.

The Program specifically targets university students who otherwise would not have the opportunity to develop their leadership potential. It will support students who have demonstrated a disadvantage or are considered by their University to be disadvantaged. This could include but is not limited to disadvantage in the areas of education (including disrupted schooling, disadvantaged secondary school environment), rural, isolated or migrant family backgrounds, financial hardship, family disruption, English language difficulties, or personal illness or disability.

What is the commitment of the program?

The Program consists of:

- 2 student and mentor briefings (a combined first session where mentors and students meet each other)
- a flexible work based activity of some 35 hours in total
- mid placement debriefs for mentors and students (by telephone)
- a combined second session where students report on key learning experiences and celebrate their achievements in an environment where students and mentors can extend their networks.

How can you become involved?

We are seeking expressions of interest from senior women to become mentors in the program. Mentors will benefit from:

- Networking with other senior managers in the public and private sectors
- Knowing that their contribution will assist in the development of future women leaders
- Knowing that they have contributed to the goal of increasing the numbers of women with potential to reach middle and senior management.

For further information, please go to: www.careers.unsw.edu.au/news/lucy.aspx

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