

Association for Women in Finance
Mini Mentoring Programme



Aims

The aim of the AWF mentoring programme is to:

- encourage women students to consider the finance industry as a career choice
- to provide strong female role models
- to provide a snapshot of the working life of women who work in finance.

Overview

Each qualifying student will be assigned to a female mentor who is a professional woman working in finance. The mentoring programme is a 3-point programme and each mentor will:

- take the student to one networking opportunity
- spend a lunch or dinner with the student to discuss career and answer questions
- give the student an introduction to their workplace – anything from an office tour, shadowing at work, or a verbal overview of how the company works.

Qualifications

The mentoring programme is open to:

- women students based in a Japan-based college*
- students of all academic disciplines

To qualify for the programme, the successful candidate will submit an essay up to 1,500 words in length in English entitled “*Working women in Japan: the challenges and opportunities ahead as a new graduate*”. The essay should be written in English and submitted by 28th February 2009 to awf@awftokyo.com with the subject title marked as: Mini Mentoring Programme Essay Submission.

The winning students will be announced in March. Essays will not be returned and the winning essays will be published on the AWF website.

Mentors

Mentors will be AWF members or associates with at least five years of experience of working in some aspect of finance. All mentors will have been vetted by the AWF Board.

Post-programme Requirements

The successful will be asked to describe their experiences in English in a summary of at least 500 words. The summaries will be published on the AWF website. The winning students will be granted a complimentary one-year membership of AWF and will also be invited to an AWF event to comment on their experiences.