API BURSARY STUDENTS – INDUSTRY MENTORING GUIDELINES

INTENT:

A number of API members and also API Bursary students have requested informal mentoring by industry professional engineers be available to the API Bursary students. The aim of such a mentoring program is to:

- Provide students with someone in the industry who can provide them some guidance of how the theory at university links to the application in industry for power engineering related subjects.
- Provide students with some guidance of final year thesis/project topics and if appropriate assist with industry input.
- Provide students with guidance about the various employers within the energy industry and which may best suit their interests/career aspirations.

APPROACH:

- Students will approach their supervisor during their summer vacation employment and ask if they (or a nominee of the supervisor) are prepared to be their informal industry mentor for the following 12 months.
- The student and the mentor are to agree on the frequency and preferred methods of contact during the following 12 months.
- The student is to advise the API Coordinator in their State of agreed mentor in industry.
- All information exchanged between the student and the mentor shall remain confidential and the basis of the relationship should be for the mentor to provide guidance from a personal perspective.
- The mentoring relationship is in no way to replace the relationship the student has with university guidance staff and/or academic advisers, but is to complement this relationship.
- Should the student or mentor require any assistance regarding this mentoring relationship please contact the API Coordinator in their State.

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