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The Reboot Plus Program is looking for willing professionals to give 30 – 60 minutes of their time to provide career insights and ideas to young people exploring and developing their career plans.

What is the Reboot Plus Project?

The Reboot Plus Project is a youth education and employment program provided in partnership with Douglas College, PEERs Employment and Education Resources, the Burnaby, Surrey, New Westminster and Maple Ridge School Districts and the Surrey and Burnaby Boards of Trade and the Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce. The project is funded by the Future Skills Centre of Canada and will provide training and support to 210+ young people over two years.

The participants are 17 to 24 from diverse backgrounds, including atypical high school experiences. Reboot Plus is a 16-week program in which participants complete career assessments, build essential skills and develop concrete career and education action plans. A part of the process includes obtaining "on the ground" information about the jobs and careers they are most interested in and suited for.

The Reboot Plus team supports this process by reaching out to professionals like yourself to set up informational interviews. Each youth will meet four or more professionals that will provide information that will shape their career plans. Not only will the youth have the information they need to make meaningful plans, but the process also supports them to build confidence and the beginnings of a professional network.

Reboot Plus Participants' Career Areas of Interest

This current cohort is made up of 30 students, ages 17-24, with a diverse range of interests.

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- 1. Counselor, Psychologist
- Creative Media Writer, Broadcast Journalist, E-Sports Journalist, Political Journalist, Social Media Marketer, Screenwriter, Sound Designer
- 3. Social Worker, Seniors Retirement Worker
- 4. Car Mechanic
- 5. Bartender, Realtor, Addiction Counselor
- 6. Electrician
- 7. 911 Dispatcher
- 8. ESL Instructor
- 9. Autobody Repair Person
- 10. Homicide Detective, Child Psychologist, Private Investigator, Criminal Analyst
- 11. Dietician, Paralegal, Legal Assistant
- 12. Cook, Chef
- 13. Psychiatric Nurse, Criminal Lawyer, Psychiatrist
- 14. Voiceover Actor, Background/Principal Actor
- 15. Animator, Landscaper
- 16. Bike Technician
- 17. Sports Sales & Customer Service
- 18. Welder
- 19. Forensics Specialist, Blood Lab Technician
- 20. Sketch Artist, Gym Instructor
- 21. Nail Technician, Hair Stylist



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What is the Informational Interview Process?

Within the program, participants build résumés, learn and practice interview skills and prepare questions that they will use to guide the interviews. The Reboot Plus Project Team will identify and reach out to potential professionals to meet for 30 to 60-minutes. After each interview, participants will meet with the Reboot Plus Team to discuss what they learned and to adjust their career and education plans as needed. The team will also follow-up with you after the interview to obtain any feedback you may have on the youth participant and on the process.

Where possible, the team hopes that participating professionals will review, share and encourage other contacts in your network to participate in the project. Ideally each interview will lead to at least two further contacts per participant.

Who are our Current Reboot Plus Participants?

The current group of participants represent a diverse range of career interests. Each of the participants' areas of career interest are listed in the table on page 1. If you are a professional in one of these fields, please contact one of us to learn more and to schedule an interview.

If you know other colleagues and professionals who may be appropriate, please forward this information to them. The participation of you and your colleagues in this project will change the lives of youth in British Columbia.

Contact Us



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