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PwC has been a proud partner of the Monash IT Postgraduate Industry Experience Program since its inception. We are excited to be a part of a program that encouraged students to really push themselves and be innovative in their thinking. Throughout this time both PwC staff and Monash have benefited mutually from this relationship.

The ability to mentor students has provided PwC employees with the opportunity to further develop their coaching skills and expertise. In addition PwC employees are able to help influence the learning outcomes of the students by shaping their learning to industry standards, whilst also ensuring the coursework remains relevant to both Monash and industry.

PwC staff are able to develop a further appreciation of the work they currently engage in within PwC and re-energise their thinking and problem solving, by 'going back to basics' and learning from fresh young minds.

The student receive mentorship from all types and levels of PwC employees allowing them to discuss a variety of career options and experience first-hand a range of communication styles. Similarly the students are also exposed to the techniques commonly used in the workplace allowing them to develop key skills to ensure their industry relevance upon graduation.

The Faculty of IT at Monash run a smooth and organised program, allowing industry partners like PwC the ability to be flexible within the program to ensure active and committed engagement. We are regularly consulted and are actively involved in shaping the program. The staff are agile in their thinking and are continually seeking to improve the program, to give their students the best possible outcomes.

I have no hesitation in recommending the program and please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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