

# NEIC CAREER COFFEE MORNING WITH YOUR ORGANISATION







# FROM INSPIRATION TO ACTION

Our Career Coffee Mornings aim to connect NEIC students with inspiring industry professionals. These events give students the chance to hear directly from YOU about the diverse pathways to success, build on their transferable skills, and learn how to turn their career dreams into achievable goals.





# INTRODUCING CAREER COFFEE MORNINGS

An invitation for organisations to make a meaningful impact in the community with minimal effort. Our low-effort, hightimpact event connects inspiring professionals like you with NEIC students. In this relaxed setting, you'll share your career journey, spark their imagination with diverse pathways to success and help them build valuable skills.





## WHAT TO EXPECT

#### Engage students through inspiring stories

Students will hear from 3–4 employees about their educational and career journeys. Hearing about their challenges and achieved success, fostering a sense of relatability and possibility.

#### **Provide insight into diverse pathways to success** Showcase different routes to further education and career advancement.

Foster skill development

This is a great opportunity for students to learn more about what your rganisation does whilst picking up a new skill. Alternatively you can Lead a 30 minute skills workshop to help students build transferable skills like interview techniques, coding, branding, and cyber security.

#### WHY YOU SHOULD HOST THE NEXT CAREER COFFEE MORNING

Career Coffee Mornings offer a unique opportunity to inspire and empower students from challenged socio-economic backgrounds. By hosting a Career Coffee Morning, your organisation can inspire the next generation while making a tangible impact on their career aspirations. Join us in empowering students to turn their dreams into achievable goals. **It's a win-win: you inspire, they thrive!** 





## IDEAS FOR YOUR CAREER COFFEE MORNING

- 10:00 Welcome and Registration
- **10:10 Breakfast and Networking:** Start the day with a sit-down breakfast, providing a relaxed environment for students to connect.
- 10:40 Office Tour: A guided tour of the office to give students a feel for the workplace environment.
- **11:00 Staff Panel:** Hear from 3–4 staff members about their educational and career journeys, offering diverse perspectives and inspiration.
- 11:30 Q & A Session: An opportunity for students to ask questions and engage directly with staff members.
- 11:45 Skills Workshop: A practical session aimed at building key skills for future careers.
- 12:15 Photos and Sign-out: Capture the experience with photos and wrap up the event.

#### GOOGLE

Mind the Gap at its core is about exposing students to the diversity of the discipline and we hope we showed that a career in STEM can be multi-faceted and not just about coding and perhaps even changed some perceptions about their ability to excel in this field. Google highly valued the experience and the interaction from the students. Students indicated they wanted to understand more about what it is like to work in Google and the journeys we took. We hope we gave a good idea to the group on this.





### DROPBOX

At Dropbox, community involvement and volunteerism are integral to our company culture. Participating in local initiatives, such as the Career Coffee Morning event with transition year students, underscores our commitment to giving back and making a positive impact. These engagements are not only fulfilling for our employees but also inspire and support the next generation. By sharing our experiences and knowledge, we aim to empower young people to pursue their ambitions with confidence. Being active in the community reflects Dropbox's core values and our dedication to fostering growth and opportunity both within and outside the company. The students came prepared with thoughtful questions and displayed a keen interest in learning about various career paths in the tech industry.

### THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Department of Foreign Affairs is committed to being a diverse and inclusive workplace. Engaging with students helps us to broaden awareness of the wide range of interesting roles and career opportunities in the Department. We have hosted two Career Coffee Mornings with the North East Inner City Initiative. Our staff enjoyed interacting with the students on our work in advancing Ireland's values and interests abroad and in assisting Irish citizens. The students were particularly interested in the diverse backgrounds and career paths of staff in the Department. We also ran a short workshop on Ireland's development cooperation, which received very positive engagement and feedback from the students.





### TO DISCUSS HOW WE CAN WORK WITH YOU AND SUPPORT YOU, PLEASE CONTACT:

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