The Industry Capstone Program brings together UW students and professionals to tackle real-world, interdisciplinary engineering problems. Sponsors bring in projects from their organizations and provide support to teams of creative, talented engineering students who will design and build innovative solutions.

**BENEFITS TO SPONSORS**

**MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT**: Customized opportunity to assess student talent and recruit for jobs

**CREATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVING**: Low-cost opportunity for a fresh look at a problem

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**: Technical mentor can practice and apply leadership skills

**BRAND RECOGNITION**: Boost public awareness of your organization through student engagement

**UW PARTNERSHIPS**: Build impactful connections within the UW College of Engineering

**COMMERCIAL LICENSES**: Non-exclusive commercial license to any IP developed through project

**HOW IT WORKS**

**INNOVATION**: Potential sponsors propose a project for review by College of Engineering faculty

**SPONSORSHIP**: Organizations commit financially to cover project costs and program fee

**TEAM MATCHING**: Students are matched to an approved project and faculty mentor

**MENTORSHIP**: A technical mentor meets with the team weekly for project duration (January-June)

**PROBLEM SOLVING**: Student teams embark on a full-scale design process with help from technical and faculty mentors, including:

- Problem definition
- Benchmark studies
- Concept generation and feasibility studies
- Engineering design analysis
- Prototype fabrication and testing when applicable

**SAMPLE TIMELINE**

- **Early September** - Project proposals due
- **Late October** - Project proposal presentations
- **Early December** - Mentor orientation and team kickoff
- **January - June** - Projects in progress, weekly team meetings with mentors
- **June** - Final capstone showcase

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