



**Now Launching: Mentoring the Next Generation - Virtual Engineering Mentors Unit (VEMU)**

**Start Date: April 15, 2026**

We're launching something powerful and we want you in it.

SME Ch. 15 is proud to introduce the **Virtual Engineering Mentors Unit (VEMU)**, connecting students with professionals who can help turn ideas into real-world solutions.

**From April 15 through November 1**, you will have the opportunity to guide high school and university students as they work on:

- Engineering designs
- Circuits, pneumatics, and hydraulics
- Programming and technical problem-solving
- Posters, capstone, and final-year projects

This isn't about adding more to your plate it's about sharing what you already know in a way that shapes what comes next.

**Your role is simple:**

Set a time that works for you.

Connect virtually.

Answer questions.

Encourage growth.

**You choose how you engage:** *Circle one*

Email, Zoom, Google Meet, Phone, Text (whatever fits your rhythm).

Our community is filled with leaders like you. Your insight, your experience, your perspective it matters more than you think.

If this aligns with your schedule, we would be honored to have you join us.

**What to Expect from Mentors**

Mentors will coordinate convenient times to connect virtually with students, offering project-based guidance while encouraging:

- Goal setting
- Focus on the learning process
- Confidence and a positive outlook

**Join Us**

Our community is built on a diverse network of engineers and industry leaders. Your experience has the power to shape, guide, and inspire the next generation.

We are happy to accommodate preferences to make your involvement both meaningful and manageable.

**Respond by providing the following information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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