Sometimes all it takes is one passionate person to change a life. Youth Frontiers is a NSW Government funded youth mentoring program for students in school between the ages of 12-16. It is designed to build the confidence, leadership skills and community connectedness of those involved. Crucial to the delivery of Youth Frontiers are volunteer mentors who contribute their unique skills, knowledge and life experience to help make a lasting difference to the lives of young people.

Who is it for?
- Mentees who are school students between the ages of 12 and 16.
- Mentors who are volunteers from the local community.

To be a mentor, you need to:
- Connect easily with young people and have a passion for helping them develop and grow
- Be available to mentor a young person for 2 hours per week over a six month period, during school hours and on school premises
- Undergo a criminal history check, a NSW Working with Children’s Check and supply referees

How it Works?
Mentors provide support and guidance to mentees aged between 12-16 across Western and South-Western Sydney and Nepean Blue Mountains.

As a volunteer mentor, you will work with a mentee to build their life skills and self-confidence and empower them to participate in a community engagement activity.

The program involves 35 hours of mentoring and runs for a period of six months each year. To become a mentor you will need to submit a simple expression of interest, attend an information session and once all checks and assessments are completed, participate in a half-day training session. You will then be matched with a mentee.

The matching process is based on shared interests and hobbies and includes a meet-and-greet session with your potential mentee. Once this has been completed, regular weekly one on one mentoring commences. In addition, MTC arranges group sessions for mentees and mentors which focus on life skills.
Why become a mentor?

MTC Australia and Youth Frontiers helped 504 students during the 2018/19 financial year. That’s 504 students who improved their confidence, developed their social and leadership skills, became further involved with school or community life, and countless other benefits.

88% of mentors believe the program helped young people develop communication and teamwork skills.

94% of mentors would recommend this program to their friends and family or sign up to mentor again.

Why choose this course?

Make a Difference

As a mentor, you will help mentees feel more confident in themselves and become more connected to their community.

Students who complete the Youth Frontiers program have increased knowledge of future educational and career opportunities.

Gain New Skills

You will receive training and ongoing support from a Youth Frontier’s Youth Advisor to become a skilled mentor

Social Impact

Youth Frontiers strengthens the connection between young people and the community, leading to overall positive impacts on the wider community.

Give Back

One-on-one and group mentoring sessions enable students to develop their self-confidence, social and leadership skills; increasing their satisfaction with school and the local community.

What we do

MTC is the social enterprise that gives people the inspiration, capability and opportunity to create a fulfilling life. We deliver high impact employment, training and youth programs that help people gain skills for employment and entrepreneurship, build self-worth, and enable possibilities for transformative change.