Computer Science Industry Seminar Series 2022

TECH Talk
with

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31 **AUG 2022**   **12h00 – 13h00**

Presenters

MR BARRY JORDAN – Architect @ Allan Gray

Topic: **Leveraging Open Source Software**

SYNOPSIS: It has been estimated that Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) constitutes 70-90% of any given piece of modern software solutions. Where did the open source movement come from and how has it evolved over time? Does open source equal free? Not always, and not without conditions. What are the benefits, and what are the pitfalls? It has never been easier, or cheaper, to build software off the back of freely available code. With so many options out there to choose from, what enables us to make well informed decisions around the software we choose to adopt?

This presentation aims to answer these questions, arming you with the knowledge to navigate the world of open source software with confidence.

MS MONIQUE WILLIAMS – IT Recruitment Manager @ Allan Gray

SYNOPSIS: Monique has been at Allan Gray for five years, during which she said she has been privileged to work with highly skilled technical people who are passionate about hiring and developing the best.

The majority of Allan Gray's graduate hires since 2018 are still with the company and have grown tremendously in skills, position and in personal development.

Monique will tell students more about the intern and graduate application process along with what to expect should you join Allan Gray as a permanent employee.

KIMONE PILLAY – UKZN alumnus working @ Allan Gray

SYNOPSIS: Kimone began her studies at UKZN in 2014 in a field not related to I.T, before making the switch to Computer Science and Information Systems and Technology. She obtained her Honours in Computer Science in 2018, and then made the best decision she said she could have made - to move to Cape Town and start her first formal job as a software developer at Allan Gray. Kimone will share her journey, including its challenges and triumphs.

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