Experiential Learning: Riipen Update

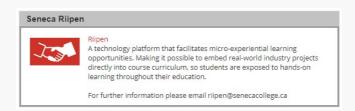
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In February 2018, Riipen was introduced to Seneca with the goal of creating opportunities for students to benefit from working on real-world challenges with a wide range of industry partners. These micro-experiences allow students to apply what they are learning and develop career networks and employability skills. Several Seneca faculty are developing inclass projects and assignments. Take a look at the Seneca projects that have already been posted and create your own account through the Seneca-Riipen portal. For inspiration, you can also explore examples of in-class projects and assignments in the Riipen library.

Currently, Riipen can be accessed through a link on the Employees landing page on My.Seneca:



The Seneca-Riipen portal in My.Seneca

In collaboration with ITS, Riipen will soon be integrated with My.Seneca courses. Some of the enhanced features will include a single sign-on, reducing the number of accounts on multiple platforms, and pass back of final grades from industry partners into My.Seneca's Grade Centre.

Employers in the following areas have recently approached the Seneca-Riipen team seeking opportunities to partner on an in-class assignment: Web Development, Market Research, Social Media, and Digital Media. If you are interested in participating or developing an inclass assignment in one of above industries, please email Pina Marinelli-Henriques (Pina.Marinelli-Henriques@senecacollege.ca).

Plans to engage students are underway. Our first interactive presentation during the new student orientation was extremely well attended and will continue to be offered. On **June 6**, **2018**, Riipen will be at the Newnham Campus holding a student webinar series for international students. Students are introduced to the many options on Riipen, including open competitions, hackathons, and case competitions offered by industry partners. Students are also encouraged to develop their own challenges.

Register for upcoming webinars by clicking on the links below:

Riipen + Seneca: Experiential Learning Partnership – Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. Registration URL: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/db1383f9b72f47b77510d14dfea9e911

Riipen + Seneca: Experiential Learning Partnership – Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. Registration URL: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/05797b7e793b42197c24e00bf0acd2b8

For more information about Riipen or support to set up an experiential learning opportunity, please email Pina Marinelli-Henriques (Pina.Marinelli-Henriques@senecacollege.ca).

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