



# HACKTIVISTS WANTED: Mentors & Judges Needed

## Women's Hackathon Cal State San Marcos, Apr 25, 2015

Dear San Diego Community Members,

**California State University, San Marcos (CSUSM) is excited to hold another Women's Hackathon April 25, 2015!**

Cal State San Marcos has successfully hosted two 12-hour Women's Hackathons in 2014, both of which attracted over 50 students, age 16 and up, from across the San Diego region and southern California. These events were part of the International Women's Hackathon, initiated by Microsoft Research to empower young women leaders in computer science. Participants formed teams of 4-6 and spent the day creating software applications that addressed real world challenges. Thanks to local sponsors and volunteers from the community, the girls attended the events for free and had the unique opportunity to collaborate with peers and be mentored by software professionals.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please join us to encourage critical computer programming and STEM skills in our future women leaders.** Thank you San Diego software & IT pros!



- **Not just for women:** Volunteering for this event is open to men too! As we educate **women**, encourage their skills, confidence and enlighten them to greater economic positions in society, we need your help. Many of you have daughters, nieces and loved ones that you want to see succeed. Let's join together.

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

*We need great minds to pull off a great event!!*

- **Be a Mentor:** We hope to have one experienced software professional as a mentor for each team of girls to help them succeed in creating their application for the challenge.
- **Be a Judge:** We are looking for a panel of experts to evaluate student projects and select the winning teams.



**We know your time is valuable and we will respect it! If you can offer your time, please join us. Thank you!**

**REGISTER HERE:** <https://csusm-womens-hack-042515.eventbrite.com>

**Contact the organizers directly:**

If you would like to contact the organizers directly, we look forward to hearing from you.

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**Thank you for your commitment to innovating San Diego by empowering more women in tech!**