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Northrop Grumman Partners with Center Centre to Develop User Experience Mentoring Relationships

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MCLEAN, Va., March 24, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has entered into a partnership with Center Centre, the user experience design school based in Chattanooga, Tennessee, to build strong mentoring connections, a pipeline of new User Experience (UX) talent and augment innovative approaches within the UX profession.



Center Centre is the first school of its kind and Northrop Grumman is their first corporate partner for the program launch.

Northrop Grumman UX professionals will engage in direct mentoring relationships with the participating students, giving them the opportunity to network, intern and participate in emerging skills workshops with their mentors. Students will also work on real world projects for the corporation.

"UX is a key technology focus at Northrop Grumman. The projects that the students at the Center Centre will work on will help them understand the UX needs of our customers," said Neil Siegel, vice president and chief technology officer, Northrop Grumman Information Systems. "We look forward to this collaboration and the opportunity to participate in improving the students' UX skills."

UX brings user-centered design into the product development lifecycle. Northrop Grumman incorporates UX design technology into solutions to create easy-to-use and intuitive systems for customers.

"The Center Centre partnership augments our pipeline of UX talent and expertise that will ultimately help us to meet our customers' needs," said Milou Carolan, vice president, human resources, Northrop Grumman Information Systems.

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