Top 5 Strategies

1. Prepare
   Take some time to assess yourself and determine what it is you want from your job.

2. Value your Military Experience
   Be sure to explain your skills and qualities developed in the military in civilian-friendly terms.
   - Identify transferable skills (e.g. communication skills, leadership qualities, team player, flexibility, etc.).
   - Focus on achievements and areas of strength.
   - Review military evaluations for any accomplishments you can highlight on your resume or in an interview.
   - Utilize O*Net’s My Next Move for Veterans (www.mynextmove.org/vets). Enter your MOC or MOS and review the resulting list of tasks and responsibilities that reflect your military experience.

3. Improve your Job Search Paperwork
   Utilize the UCI Division of Career Pathways through workshops, Drop-In Advising, and one-on-one counseling appointments. Get a copy of the Job Search Guide.

4. Network with Everyone!
   Networking is frequently cited as the best method to land a job or internship. Use your military connections, social media sites, information interviews, volunteering, and other methods where you interact with others.

5. Target your Search
   Use resources that are already military-friendly. Check out veteran-friendly employers on military.com and the Top 100 Military Friendly Employers!

Stay Positive!

The job search process is stressful, but there are many employers that are looking for the skills YOU developed during your time in the military!