Job Search Strategies





A successful job or internship search will utilize several of these **5 strategies**:



Networking

- Discuss career goals with people you know
- Discuss career goals with faculty
- Conduct informational interviews
- Attend events at the Division of Career Pathways
 Connect with alumni
- Join professional organizations
- Inquire directly with employers
- Join and actively use LinkedIn

Recommended Resources: LinkedIn and the DCP LinkedIn Page (linkedin.com/showcase/uci-division-of-careerpathways), The Anteater Network (antnet.uci.edu), Campus Organizations (campusorgs.uci.edu)



Internships

- Attend internship workshops and webinars
- Search for internships on Handshake
- Make an appointment to meet with a career educator
- Have your resume critiqued to start applying for summer internships in fall quarter

Recommended Resources: DCP's UCI Internship Programs webpage (career.uci.edu/undergraduate/find-a-job/uciinternship-programs) LinkedIn and the DCP LinkedIn Page (linkedin.com/showcase/uci-division-of-careerpathways), Campus Organizations (campusorgs.uci.edu)



Internet Postings

- Search Handshake
- Create a tracking sheet with targeted employers' job websites hyperlinked to check directly, frequently, and quickly
- Search job boards specific to your field

Recommended Resources: Handshake (uci.joinhandshake.com), DCP's Industry Career Resources webpage (career.uci.edu/industry-career-resources)



On Campus Recruiting

- Attend employer information sessions
- Participate in career panel events and interviews on campus
- Build relationships with employers by staying in touch

Recommended Resources: Handshake (uci.joinhandshake.com), DCP events (career.uci.edu/about/events)



Career Fairs

- · Attend career fairs
 - The Division of Career Pathways holds fairs in fall, winter, and spring quarters
 - Check out career fairs in the community
- · Prepare for career fairs by researching employers beforehand, preparing a pitch, and targeting employers of interest

Recommended Resources: Handshake (uci.joinhandshake.com), DCP's Career Fair webpage (career.uci.edu/undergraduate/find-a-job/career-fairs)

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Additional Considerations

Do:

- Start early
- Tailor your resume / cover letter
- Exhaust all of your resources
- Research employers
- Keep track of your correspondence
- Dress professionally
- · Consider employment agencies
- Be open to small companies
- · Wait to discuss salary with the offer

For more advice, stop by Drop-In Advising or make an appointment with a career counselor

Job Preparation



DETERMINE THE KIND OF WORK YOU ARE LOOKING FOR:

• Industries, functions, job titles



IDENTIFY WHERE YOU WANT TO WORK:

· Company, work setting, location

PREPARE YOUR RESUME:



- Attend resume workshops or webinars at the UCI Division of Career Pathways (career.uci.edu/about/events)
- Have your resume reviewed during Drop-In Advising

RESEARCH THE JOB MARKET:

· Company, work setting, location

For additional help, try:

CAREER SPOTS (CAREER.UCI.EDU/CAREERSPOTS)

Quick, informative videos on a variety of topics, including career readiness, internships, and career advice.

BIG INTERVIEW (UCI.BIGINTERVIEW.COM

An online mock interview platform that combines training and practice to help you

For All Students

In addition to *Handshake*, on-campus jobs are also posted on the following campus departments' websites. Go directly to their site to find job listings.

- Anteater Recreation Center (ARC)
- UCI Libraries
- Student Center / Conference Center
- Parking & Transportation Services
- Office of Information Technology (OIT)
- Flectronic Educational Environment



For more resources...

- Attend a Job Search Strategies workshop or webinar at the Division of Career Pathways (check Handshake or career.uci.edu/about/events)
- Additional International Student Job Resources: View the International Students section on career.uci.edu/diversity-careerresources