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Campus Resources

Overview

UMSL Resources for Students

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  • Launching Your Career

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Getting Started

• EXPLORING
  • What do I want to be when I grow up?!  
    • Important time to understand yourself  
      • Interests, values, personality, skills  
      • Coursework and Career Services
  • Understanding Yourself  
    • FOCUS2 (taken during student’s first semester)  
    • What Can I Do with This Major?
  • Understanding the Job Market  
    • O-Net (provides employment & salary outlook data on a national and state level)
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Making Connections

• Making Connections
  • Prepare!
    • Start writing your resume
    • Be proactive in understanding your Internship options in your major

• Take Action!
  • Conduct Informational Interviews
  • Get more involved and take leadership roles in Student Organizations
  • Attend Employer & Career Events
  • Remember to consult with faculty and academic advisors if considering graduate or professional school
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Jobs and Internships

• Gaining Experience
  • Internships & degree-related positions are the number one hiring source of new graduates!

• On-campus employment opportunities
  • studentjobs.umsl.edu
  • Summer Webinar Series
    • Working on Campus | June 22, 2017

• Attend:
  • UMSL Fall Internship & Job Fair (September 22, 2017)
  • UMSL Spring Career Fair (March 9, 2018)
  • Career Services Employer Events, Information Sessions
  • Academic Department and Student/Professional Organization activities (career and grad school)
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The Job Hunt

• Launching Your Career
  • Develop Your Brand!
    • TritonCareers
    • LinkedIn
  • Fine tune your resume
  • Develop targeted cover letters
  • Professional Wardrobe
  • Salary & Market Trends

Remain flexible and open to career options!
You never know where your first job will take you!
Wrap Up

- **Job Search Realities | Don’t Wait Until You Graduate!**
  - Timing is everything!
    - Summer Interns are identified in the fall semester at the Fall Internship & Job Fair held in September (September 22, 2017).
    - A typical job search is 3-6 months so students should start their job search early before graduation day!
  - The job market is very industry specific
    - Some majors have a direct transition into the world of work (e.g., accounting, nursing).
    - Most majors are have an indirect transition into the world of work so knowing and understanding how to market your skill-set with a targeted approach is very important.

- Q&A
Connect with us!

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