

## Career Center

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### Career and Graduate School Information Fair

**Review** your resume with a career counselor.

**Mark** your calendar to attend one of the preparation sessions.

**Meet** with a career peer advisor to support you in your preparation for the fair. Be ready to describe your academic background, skills, strengths and goals. Peer advisors will assist you in securing summer, part-time, full-time employment or an internship.

**Focus** on your long-term goals as you consider opportunities at the career fair that fulfill short-term considerations.

**Check** the career fair link (Career Center website) on a regular basis. Employers and graduate school representatives may register up until a few days before the fair.

**Research** organizations and/or graduate programs and their websites to check for a professional fit with your goals. Select between 5 and 10 organizations of interest and plan to meet and talk with their representatives at the fair.

**Prepare** a brief introduction (30-60 seconds) for the organizational representative. Include information about your academic background, your experiences, and your interest in the organization. Practice this introduction!

**Schedule** a mock interview with a career counselor. No kidding – this is more challenging than you think! You may receive an invitation to interview sooner than you expect and you will want to be prepared.

**Decide** what you will wear the day of the career fair. Dressing for interviews has changed over the years; however, you want to have your clothing be a part of your professional appearance. **NOTE: A general rule is to know the appropriate attire for the industry and dress at or slightly above that level for the fair.**

**Print and bring** multiple copies of your resume to the career fair.

**Expect** that most of what you will experience will be the beginning stages of your search. There will be follow-up work and additional steps in securing a position.