# Conduct an Effective Internship/Job Search 2024

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### Agenda

- When to look
- How to prepare
- How to get organized
- Where to look for job information
  - On-line job postings
  - Other sources
- How to connect with companies

## When to look? Probably NOW

### • Apply NOW:

- Interns (for jobs in Summer 2024)
- Full-time (for students graduating May 2024, Summer 2024)
- Apply starting Summer 2024:
  - Interns (for jobs in Summer 2025)
  - Full-time (for students graduating Dec 2024, May 2025)

### **Prepare: Update Your Résumé**

Use the sample format

https://career.engineering.asu.edu/resumesandresources/resumes/

 Check the job posting: use the same words, phrases, and acronyms as the job description

### **SPARKY SUNDEVIL8**

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### SUMMARY

Senior mechanical engineering student with internship experience in medical device manufacturing and product development. Project experience includes applications of software and hardware. Seeking full-time position May 2020 in medical device manufacturing, pharmaceutical production, and other FDA-regulated industries.

### EDUCATION

### B.S.E., Mechanical Engineering; Business Minor Graduating May 2020 Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 3.82 GPA Barrett, The Honors College Relevant Coursework: Hardware Design Languages and Programmable Logic, Advanced Excel in Business

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data Analysis and Statistics: JMP, Minitab Design and Modeling Tools: SOLIDWORKS, LabVIEW, MATLAB, Microsoft Office Programming: Python, C, C++ Certifications: National Instruments Certified LabVIEW Associate Developer (CLAD) - August 2019

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Stryker Sustainability Solutions, Tempe, AZ: Research & Development Intern May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Applied measurement system analysis (MSA) to gualify relocated test equipment (JMP, Python)
- Authored three technical reports for relocated packaging equipment, following IQOQPQ guides (JMP, Excel)

### Med Apps, Scottsdale, AZ: Quality Engineering Intern

May 2018 - Aug 2018

 Assessed equivalency of proposed alternate plastic packaging material (Minitab, Excel) • Created and delivered presentations to train field sales representatives on new product features (PowerPoint)

### ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Hand Cycle for Polio Victim Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

- Collaborated in a team of three to design model of custom hand cycle for polio victims (SOLIDWORKS)
- Developed team schedule, including quality measurement for each major milestone (Microsoft Project)
- Ensured team compliance to Design Control Procedures according to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
- Recognized by faculty audience as "Best Presentation" out of 15 teams

### Sensor for Quadriplegic Patients

Spring 2019 Led team of three to design and develop a mouse-like device to allow quadriplegic patients to use websites:

Assessed range-of-motion data to determine feasible solutions (Python)

• Created device to detect muscle flexion in neck to control the mouse click (Arduino, FPGA)

### OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

ASU Society of Women Engineers (SWE)

Aug 2018 – May 2019 Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ: Tutor (10 hours/week) Tutored 10-15 undergraduate engineering students per week in MATLAB programming and math coursework

Kohl's, Gilbert, AZ: Sales Associate, Jewelry Department (16-24 hours/week) Aug 2017 - Dec 2017 Achieved #2 highest selling associate within one month of hire date

### ACTIVITIES

Aug 2017 – Present

Multiple leadership roles, including vice-president and industry relations chair (300 members, \$75k annual budget):

- Increased industry events from 3/semester to 8/semester, by engaging with industry for specific dates
- Organized 2018 annual conference participation, including 8 student poster submissions

### Photo: look like a friendly professional

Who are you? What are you looking for?

More detail on what you are looking for, good at, experienced with...

## Linkedin profile: sample

### Sparky Sundevil

Masters Student in Computer Science (Big Data Systems) || Actively seeking full-time opportunities from December 2018 Phoenix, Arizona Area

More...

InMail

- Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering at Arizona Stat...
- 🚔 Arizona State University
- See contact info
- A 500+ connections

I'm a Computer Science graduate student at Arizona State University, specializing in Big Data systems. I have 3.5 years of professional experience in software development and am interested in a career as a Full-Stack Developer. Currently, am looking for full-time opportunities for December 2018 and onwards.

### TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Connect

Languages: Java, Python, C++, JavaScript, SQL, HTML Frameworks & Libraries: AngularJS, Pandas Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, Oracle Big Data: Apache Spark, Hadoop Tools: Git, JIRA, Jenkins, MySQL Workbench, Anaconda, CA Rally

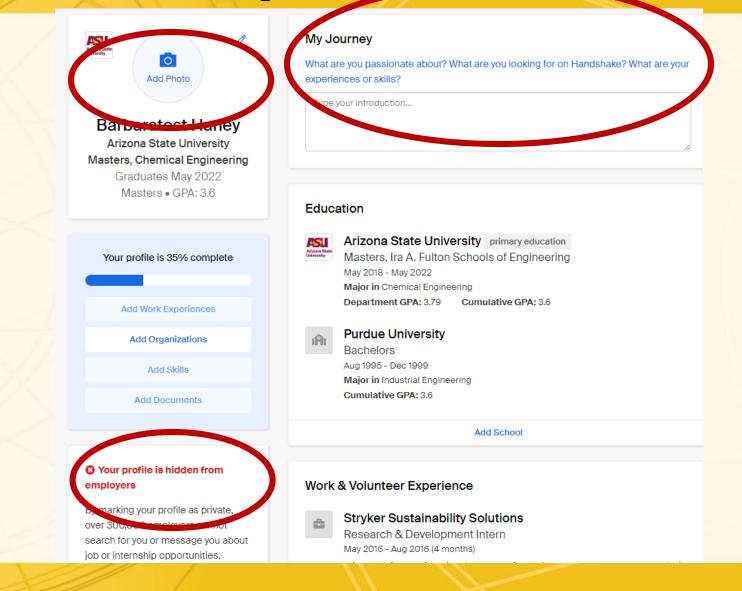
GITHUB: https://github.com/

### COURSEWORK:

Algorithms, Distributed Database Systems, Database Management Systems Implementation, Data Mining, Multimedia and Web Databases, Distributed and Multiprocessing Operating Systems. What are you good at? Add key skills here

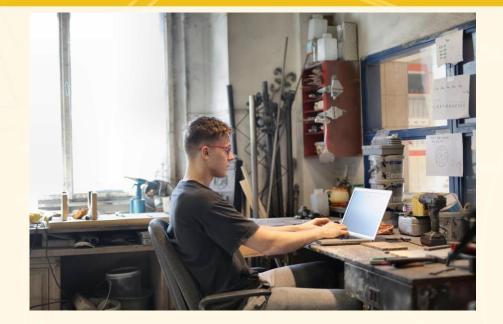
# Handshake profile: sample

Make yourself visible to employers and promote your "message"



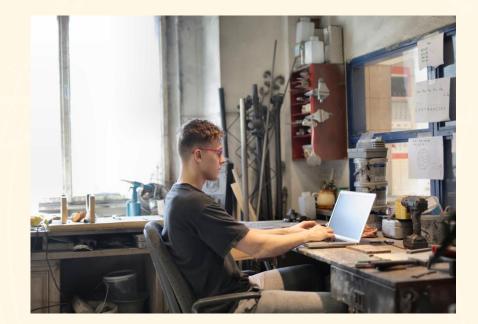
### **Prepare: for Interviewing**

 Learn about interviewing now, while you are organizing your search



## **Prepare: Dedicate Time**

- Expect to spend time:
  - Researching
  - Applying
  - Attending info sessions
  - Interviewing
- Each week:
  - Clear plan: how much time, which days



### Get organized: Keep Track

- Applications:
  - Create a spreadsheet to track companies, positions, dates applied, status
- Job Search:
  - Track actual time you spend searching and applying



## Where to look: Finding jobs

- Decisions:
  - Location: Where do you want to work?
  - Position: What type of work do you want/don't want?
  - Industries: What industries interest you/don't interest you?
- Research companies, jobs, and locations
  - Identify a wide range of options

### **Create Your Search Strategy**

- Find a strategy that aligns with your goals:
  - Example:
    - Check out companies who attended Fulton career fairs in the past year
- Sort those options to match your decisions:
  - Location
  - Have opportunities
  - Interest you
- Apply to all relevant companies and jobs

### **Need to learn more? Employer events**

- Attend employer events:
  - Info sessions
  - Workshops
  - Tabling
- Find these events:
  - Handshake ("Events")
  - Weekly email from the FSE Career Center
- Attend lots of these!
  - Learn about different industries and roles



# Where do I look for a job?

### Platforms:

- Handshake
- Company Websites
- LinkedIn, Indeed, GoinGlobal, ...

### Career Fairs: virtual and in-person Fulton Schools Career Fairs:

Spring 2024:

- Feb 13-14-15, on campus
- Feb 28, online
- ASU Career Services fairs, others:
- Check Handshake ("Events"-> "Career Fairs")



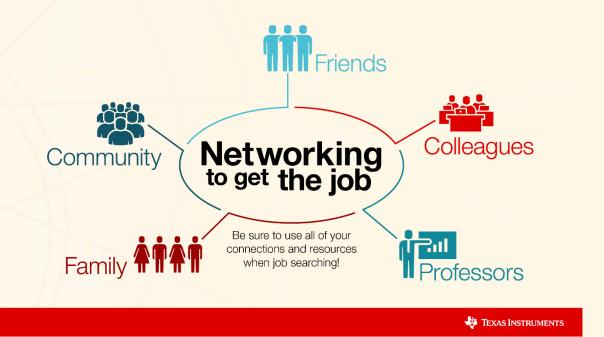
# Apply

- Apply to jobs BEFORE Career Fairs
- Don't wait until the last day on the posting



### Let Everyone Know

- Use your network:
  - Friends
  - Family
  - Industry contacts
  - Customers



### If you need more options.... Tips

### • Cast a wider net:

- Use different search criteria: "engineering", not "biomedical engineering"
- Read any job in Handshake from your target companies:
  - "Majors Requested" may not be correctly set in the search
- Check company websites for other openings:
  - Companies hiring for one position may have other jobs on their websites
- Be sure to customize your resume:
  - Make it align with different types of jobs

### **Additional Information**

- Practice interviewing: <u>https://asu.biginterview.com/</u>
  - Learn about interviewing and practice via video plus optional AI-generated feedback
- Fulton Schools Career Center website <a href="https://career.engineering.asu.edu/">https://career.engineering.asu.edu/</a>
  - 24/7 access to presentations and tools
- Resume review: <u>https://skillsfirst.com/organizations/asu-engineering</u>
  - Submit your résumé for review without an appointment
- "Advice From Industry Professionals:...": <u>https://career.engineering.asu.edu/resumesandresources/internship-job-search/</u>