

Career Planning for Juniors and Transfer Students

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Agenda

From Innovation to Tradition

- Overview of University Career Services
- Experiential Learning and timelines
- Role of Parents in Student's Job/Internship Search
- Q&A

- We prepare and connect career-ready students for post-graduate success

- University Career Services Model
- What should I do after graduation?
Career Counseling (Explore)
- How do I get there?
Industry Advising (Strategize)
- Made it! Now what?
Professional Development (Succeed)



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Search

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- Career Events
- Prepare for Your Interview
- On-Campus Interviewing
- Make An Appointment
- Plan for Graduate or Professional School
- International Students

SEPTEMBER ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

application due dates!



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THE LANGUAGE DOCTORS



MATTHEWS, CARTER
& BIO/CE CPAs

Apply for real off-campus jobs and internships. Then, have your interview at Mason without traveling off campus! Click for application due dates and interview dates.

HireMason Perks

Apply

- Apply directly online to jobs/internships for which you qualify

Email

- Create saved searches and receive e-mail alerts when jobs/internships matching your criteria are posted

Publish

- "Publish" your resume in Mason Resume Books for employers to query

- Get Involved. Gain Experience.



Internships



Volunteer



Student Organizations



On Campus/ Work Study Jobs



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Experiential Learning

Industries

Networking

Salary Negotiation

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Information for
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CAREER FAIR
Information for

Workshops

OCTOBER 08 State Department Visit
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

OCTOBER 08 Transfer Students: Next Step, Get that J-O-B!
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

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Experiential Learning

What Is Experiential Learning?

An umbrella term to include hands-on learning outside of the classroom to enhance your academic experience. The experience can vary in length, but is designed to be a specific period of time and have learning outcomes. Many experiential learning opportunities also include some element of reflection so that you can really process what they have just learned.

Why Is Experiential Learning Important?

These opportunities help you to clarify your career goals, gain valuable experience and skills to become a stronger candidate when applying for full-time jobs and graduate school, and expand your network. Many types of experiential learning can also lead to future employment opportunities since it is a great way to see how you perform as an employee for a limited amount of time.

What Are Options Here At Mason To Gain Experience?

Internships:

It is recommended to have at least two internships before you graduate college in order to prepare yourself for the professional world. Internships can be part-time or full-time, during the semester or summer, and provide knowledge and hands-on experience in a particular career field or organization. For some employers, the internship is their primary recruitment tool for hiring full-time employees. To see a wide variety of internship postings, visit HireMason. Be sure to speak with your Advisor and check the course catalog to see if you can get academic credit for your internship experience within your major.

Co-op and Experiential Learning Agreement:

If eligible, you have the opportunity to earn transcript recognition for a paid internship or co-op which is not for academic course credit. You may also receive transcript recognition for a volunteer internship through the federal government. Certain requirements apply. [Click here for more information.](#)

Job Shadowing/Externship:

The first Friday of November each year, University Career Services will host a one-day job shadowing/externship program called Take a Patriot to Work Day. Sign up in HireMason to follow a professional in the area for a day to see if they work in a career in which you might be interested. This is a great way to explore a career path early on in your college career. For more information on job shadowing and how to register, [click here.](#)

Community-Based Learning (Service Learning):

Community-based learning includes volunteer service, community based research, and other applications of course-related skills to assist local (and sometimes global) service organizations. To learn more about how to receive course credit for community based learning, visit SAIL.

Research:

Gaining research experience alongside faculty members is another important way to solidify your academic and career interests. Research opportunities are recommended, particularly if you are considering graduate school. For more information on research opportunities at Mason, visit OSCAR's website.

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Join a student
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Consider externships
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Explore potential
majors and careers



Identify resources for
academic support



Meet with an
academic advisor



SOPHOMORE YEAR

Declare (or affirm)
your major



Identify resources for
academic support



Explore potential
majors and careers



Consider externships
/job shadowing



Find an on-campus
job or internship



Begin to build your
professional network



JUNIOR YEAR

Seek leadership
opportunities



Meet with
Career Services



Attend a
career fair



Explore study
abroad opportunities



Apply for
internships



Update your
academic plan



Explore undergraduate
research opportunities



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Visit Career
Services



Apply for jobs/
graduate programs



Complete a graduation
check with an advisor



Apply for graduation
on Patriot Web



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- Junior Year and Transfer Students
- Meet with career counselor or industry advisor (September-October)
- Get resume reviewed (September-October)
1:1 appointment, Resume Clinic, walk-in hours
- Submit applications to internships (October-April, depending on industry of interest)
- Register for UNIV 320 or 420 for Spring semester (November)

- Connect with employers (September-April)
Career Fairs, On Campus Interviews, programs
- Conduct a practice interview (as needed)
1:1 appointment, Practice Interview Days,
InterviewStream

<http://careers.gmu.edu/events/>

Role of Parents: Don'ts



- Fill out or send in internship applications
- Write cover letters
- Contact an employer
- Accompany your student on interviews
- Share outdated information

Role of Parents: Do's

- Point out skills and natural talents
- Teach your student professional demeanor
- Buy your student a suit and accessories
- Talk about what to expect in an interview
- Help set realistic expectations
- Facilitate introductions to your contacts
- Encourage your student to attend career events on campus
- Explain to your student the importance of getting involved on or off campus

4 Step Job/Internship Search

- Documents
- Research
- Network
- Apply

80:20 Rule

From Innovation to Tradition

- Informational interviews
- Conferences/professional meetings
- Volunteering
- Happy hours



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Previous Computer Science Department
Education George Mason University

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Background

Summary

I am a sophomore Computer Science major at George Mason University and I am looking for an internship related to software development or database applications. My Computer Science courses have allowed me to develop a variety of programming, networking, and application skills such as: Java, LAN/WAN, and WordPerfect. I would welcome the opportunity to work for any organization that would allow me to further develop my software development capabilities. I look forward to talking with you about how I can help you to create software or database solutions for the business challenges you face.

*Please note this profile is for demonstration and educational purposes only

Education

George Mason University
Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

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Job Shadowing Program



Give to students

Take a Patriot to Work Day is a one-day externship / job-shadowing opportunity that allows current students to gain a realistic glimpse into your organization. You can take a Mason Patriot (or two, or six – you get the idea) to show off your work environment and expose students to the work you do.

Get from Mason

Take a Patriot to Work Day will occur Friday, November 7. This is a low commitment opportunity to reinforce your brand among the Mason community, identify Mason talent, and build your pipeline for future hiring needs. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please email Rachael Miner at rminer2@gmu.edu

Learn more at careers.gmu.edu/employers/events/JobShadow

For more information

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `careers.gmu.edu/family/`. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website header features the George Mason University logo on the left, the text "University Career Services" in the center, and two buttons labeled "HireMason" and "Career Resources" on the right. Below the header is a navigation bar with links for "STUDENTS", "EMPLOYERS", "FACULTY", "ALUMNI", "FAMILIES", and "ABOUT US", along with a search bar. The main content area is titled "University Career Services > Families" and "Families". It contains a paragraph about the University Career Services (UCS) and its approach to career development. Below this is a section titled "Services" with a bulleted list of offerings. To the right of the text is a yellow callout box titled "Career Strategies for Your Student" containing a photo of a graduate and a list of strategies. At the bottom of the main content area is a section titled "Resources". A large green arrow points from the "Families" link in the navigation bar to the "Families" section header. The Windows taskbar is visible at the bottom of the screen.

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Families


University Career Services (UCS) assists students and alumni of George Mason University in their approach to career development. We do not "place" students in positions; rather, we teach them in the fundamentals of how to begin and advance their careers. Through workshops, seminars, events and online resources we provide students with the tools needed to identify their interests, conduct a job search, interview, negotiate salary, etc. In the ever-changing job market, these are essential skills for professional success.

Services

- Assessments to help students identify their career based on their personality, skills, interests and values
- Print and online resources for research
- Job and internship opportunities (HireMason)
- Resume and cover letter reviews
- Practice interviews
- Career fairs, On-Campus Interviewing Program and other networking events to connect with employers

Resources

Career Strategies for Your Student



Encourage your student to...

- Visit UCS early and often
- Develop marketable skills like computer, quantitative, foreign language, leadership and writing skills

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