Job Search Strategies in a Tough Economy

Agenda

Welcome

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Additional Comments

Patricia Komuniecki, Vice Provost for Graduate Studies, and, Dean, College of Graduate Studies

Panel members' introductions

- Michael Dowd, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Economics
- Rupali Chandar, Assistant Professor, Department of Astronomy
- Jean Baker, Assistant Director, Career Services
- Jim Lee, UT Alum, Displaced worker and job seeker
- Peter Thomas, Interim Senior Director, International Student Services and Director of Immigration Services

Discussion

The panelists will make a few key points about various job search topics (see list on right), followed by the opportunity to present questions verbally or via note cards.

Networking

Panelists will be available for networking or questions for a short time immediately following the program.

Notes

Please be sure to complete your evaluation before leaving.

Much of the **basic** information presented can be found in Career Services' <u>Career Guide</u>, located on each table. Also, at the end of the booklet is a place for notes.

Topics

The Job Search

- ✓ Preparation understanding yourself and skills
- ✓ The resume or curriculum vitae
- ✓ Timeline
- ✓ Effective job search strategies
- ✓ Networking
- ✓ Resources
- ✓ Business protocol
- ✓ Marketing your skills
- ✓ Internet social networking
- ✓ Differences in academic search
- ✓ International Students Visas etc.

The Interview

- ✓ Preparation
- ✓ Before the interview
- ✓ Interview tips
- ✓ Types of interviews
- ✓ Dress and nonverbal behavior
- ✓ Common questions asked by employers
- ✓ Questions you can ask
- ✓ After the interview

The Job Offer

- ✓ The offer
- ✓ Negotiating salary
- ✓ Benefits
- ✓ What should you consider
- ✓ Responding to an offer
- ✓ Accepting or declining an offer

Considerations & Potential Challenges

- ✓ Realistic expectations
- ✓ Financial
- ✓ Back up plans alternatives
- ✓ Relocation: Looking beyond Northwest Ohio
- ✓ Family and dual professional careers
- ✓ Gaps or lack of relevant experience in work history
- ✓ Challenges for International Students