Dear Spartan,

For more than 60 years, MSU has been leading the country in providing career development support to students. Since 1955 we’ve been helping older siblings, parents, aunts & uncles, and even grandparents.

National leadership means we’ve been among the first to provide better career services for students:

• 1st to have one department for everything from student jobs to full time jobs to jobs for alumni
• 1st to offer career fairs connecting employers with minority students and women
• 1st to integrate a network of career advising professionals throughout campus
• 1st major public university to use Handshake to better connect students with employers

We are dedicated to helping you find your Purpose and have the range of experiences that will prepare you for the great adventure that comes after college.

We’ve been distributing 22,000 Career Handbooks every year, to MSU students like you. This is valuable information because career advice for college students is different than for college grads. As the Table of Contents suggests (page 3), this is just the good stuff:

• Tips on exploring and refining your Purpose
• Ways to access MSU career resources, in-person & online
• Tips on resumes, cover letters, interviewing and “what to wear”
• Ways to connect with employers, from job shadowing to career fairs
• Successful job search tips: internships, summer jobs, full time jobs

Who will successfully transition from college to career? Spartans Will.

Sincerely yours,

MSU Career Services Network
The MSU Career Services Network is here to help you succeed in whatever path you choose. We’ve provided opportunities below to help you develop a path to EXPLORE your options, highlight the skills that PREPARE you for life after college, and CONNECT you to future career possibilities. We’ve got your back!

With a little planning, you can fit a lot in 4 years!

**Explore**
- Meet with Career Advisor
- Activate Handshake profile

**FALL**
- Freshman Seminar
- Join Clubs
- Attend Earn, Learn & Intern Event
- Attend Career Exposure Workshops

**SPRING**
- Volunteer
  - Meet with Academic Advisor
  - Student Job

**SUMMER**
- Work or Intern
- Study Away
  - Update Resume

**Prepare**
- Meet with Career Consultant
- Meet with Academic Advisor each semester

**FALL**
- Informational Interviewing & Networking
- Student Job

**SPRING**
- Career Fairs & Workshops
  - Create LinkedIn Profile

**SUMMER**
- Study Abroad or Intern
  - Update Resume

**Connect**
- Meet with Career Consultant
- Meet with Academic Advisor each semester

**FALL**
- Seek Leadership Opportunities in Clubs
- Career Fairs & Workshops
- Research Grad School

**SPRING**
- Learn to:
  - Job Search
  - Interview
  - Explain Experiences

**SUMMER**
- Work or Intern
  - Update Resume
  - Grad School Testing

Life after MSU

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