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How to prepare for the awkward school and job questions that always come up!

Q: How are your grades?
- As a proud student, you’ll naturally talk about your good test scores and discuss cool class projects!
- Be prepared to talk about ways you hope to improve your grades, including better study habits and visiting the Learning Resource Center, Math Learning Center, and the Writing Center.

Q: What are you majoring in?
- If you have not yet declared a major, emphasize that you are deciding by: talking with students, faculty, academic advisor, interacting with student organizations, and employers that visit campus.
- Be prepared to schedule an appointment with a Career Advisor for when you return to campus!

Q: How do you know that your major is right for you?
- “I know because I have looked into it! I’ve talked with employers by attending employer events and career fairs offered on campus.”
- “I’ve joined a student organization that relates to my major and career interests.”
- “The knowledge and skills I am learning in this major are exciting and interesting to me. I look forward to getting a job (or attending grad school) related to my field of study!”

Q: What can you do with your major?
- Be sure to visit the MSU Career Services Network website to help you explore your major and career options: [http://CareerNetwork.msu.edu/exploring-options](http://CareerNetwork.msu.edu/exploring-options)

Q: Are you looking for a job / internship / summer job yet?
- “Yes, I attended career fairs this fall, gone to information sessions and lined up interviews in hopes of securing an internship/co-op or full-time job.”
- “Yes, I plan to go to the Diversity Career Fair on January 21, 2016 and the Summer Job & Internship Fair on February 17, 2016.”
- “Yes, I frequently check MySpartanCareer at [CareerNetwork.msu.edu](http://CareerNetwork.msu.edu) for job postings, interview opportunities, info sessions and event news.”
- “Yes, I use Career Services resources to prepare for events, interviews, and jobs by getting career advice, having my resume critiqued, and attending job-related seminars and workshops.”

Have A Wonderful Break!

MSU Career Services Network
Includes the job listing service just for MSU students: MySpartanCareer

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