

Home for the Holidays **SURVIVAL** Guide

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: **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 18, 2017** and the **Summer Job & Internship Fair on March 14, 2017.**"
- "Yes, I frequently check in **Handshake at CareerNetwork.msu.edu** for job postings, interview opportunities, info sessions and career 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: **Handshake**

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