

PARENTS & THE CAREER CENTER

RESOURCES TO HELP STUDENTS WITH CAREER DEVELOPMENT

ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO:

- **MEET WITH A CAREER COACH**
 - Students can visit careercenter.illinois.edu to schedule an appointment
- **UTILIZE CAREER DROP-IN ADVISING**
 - Our drop-in advising service offers students a 15 minute career consultation with no appointment required. Anything career related is open for discussion! Students can visit us anytime Monday-Friday from 11am to 4pm.
- **COMPLETE EPICS (EXPLORING PATHWAYS IN CAREER SUCCESS)**
 - EPICS is a tool to help students explore their interests, skills, values, and decision making process. Students can visit epics.illinois.edu to get started.
- **GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE**
 - Volunteer, join a campus organization, job shadow, and complete informational interviews. Students can also visit secure.osfa.illinois.edu/vjb/ to find on-campus job openings.
- **CREATE A LINKEDIN PROFILE**
 - Over 200 million professionals are on LinkedIn. Once students create a profile, they can research companies and industries and connect with employers and alumni. There are over 60,000 college and university alumni groups currently on LinkedIn. Make sure students use a professional photo, provide details about work experiences, and add their most relevant skills on their profile!
- **CREATE A HANDSHAKE ACCOUNT**
 - Handshake @ Illinois is the career services platform to access postings for jobs and internships, view information on on-campus interviews, view available workshops, and much more. Handshake is the portal to thousands of employers that are specifically seeking Illinois students to fill their internship and job opportunities. It provides personalized job recommendations and career information based on profile and site usage, so encourage students to provide as much relevant information as possible on their profile! Students can visit handshake.illinois.edu to get started.
- **ATTEND CAREER FAIRS**
 - On campus career fairs are held every semester. Major career fairs include the Business Career Fair (Fall and Spring), Engineering Career Fair (Fall and Spring), ACES Career Fair (Fall), and the Illini Career and Internship Fair (Spring).
 - * Note that all majors are welcome at any of the career fairs