

## Job & Internship Fair Game Plan

Use this worksheet as a guide as you prepare for the upcoming job and internship fair.

- 1. What types of opportunities are you seeking at the job and internship fair? Select all that apply.
  - □ Full Time Jobs
  - □ Internships
  - □ Networking Opportunities
  - Employer Information Sessions
  - □ Interview Experience
  - Overall Experience
- 2. Search the job fair website to see which organizations will be there and what positions are posted.
  - Organizations at the Fair: https://www.mnpcfair.org/organizations-at-the-fair
  - Posted Positions: <u>https://www.mnpcfair.org/positions-posted</u>
- 3. List 5 organizations you would like to connect with while at the fair, the position you are interested in, and what questions you might have for them.

Organization Name	Job/Internship Title(s)	Potential Questions to Ask

- 4. Practice your approach for connecting with an employer. It might sound something like this:
- Example 1: Student starts out by indicating what they are interested in.
  - Student: Hi, how are you today?
  - *Employer: Good! How are you?*
  - Student: I am good! I am interested in learning more about (organization name or job opportunity). Can you tell me a little bit more?
  - Employer: (Tells you about their organization and/or the opportunities they are hiring for.) Is this something you might be interested in?
- Example 2: Employer inquires about the student.
  - Employer: *Hi, how are you today?*
  - Student: Good, how are you?
  - Employer: Good! Tell me about yourself and what you are looking for.
  - Student:
    - My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_ and I am studying \_\_\_\_\_\_ at Concordia University, St. Paul.
    - I am looking for a (internship/full time opportunity) that would use my skills/experience in
      - Skill/experience 1:
      - Skill/experience 2:
      - Skill/experience 3:
    - It looks like you have opportunities open as a (job/internship title). Can you tell me more about that?

## 5. Job Fair Checklist.

As you prepare for the fair, make sure you complete the following tasks:

- Update your resume.
  - CSP Career Advisors are happy to review your resume.
- Upload your resume to the MNPC Job and Internship Fair webpage.
  - This allows employers to review your qualifications and possibly reach out to you prior to the fair to schedule an interview. Upload here: https://www.mnpcfair.org/upload-your-resume
- Print off and bring 20-30 resumes with you to the fair
  - While you might only intend on meeting with 10 employers, you never know who you might have a conversation with!
- Pick out an appropriate outfit
  - Wear something that represents you as a professional and will make a good first impression. While not required, know that many attendees choose to wear a business suit.
- Register for the free lunch to connect with CSP alumni
  - Registration is required. <u>Register here</u> by Wednesday, February 15.
- Determine how you will get to the Convention Center
  - Whether driving or taking public transportation, know your route, cost, and parking if applicable.
  - Interested in joining the CSP travel group with Professor Dr. Eric Grube? Email Sam Herrick sherrick@csp.edu.



## Want more guidance and support prior to the fair?

Reach out to <u>CareerDevelopment@csp.edu</u> or view our additional job fair prep material here.