Senior Year Success: Steps to Your Future

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GW SEAS: CS Capstone Course Presentation (Fall 2025) Scan the code to check in





Job Hunting Process

Can vary by industry & hiring need







What We Offer:

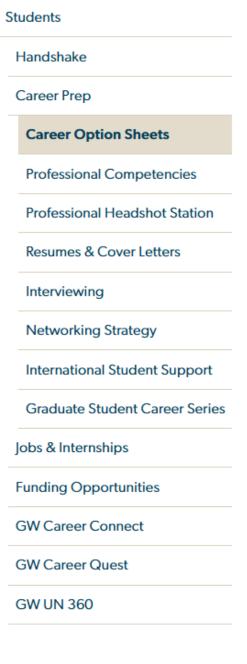
- Career Exploration/Career Advising
- Your Career Toolkit: Resumes, Cover Letters, Personal Branding
- Mock Interviews/Technical Interviews
- Career Workshops/Career Expos



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What We Offer:

Career Option Sheets



Career Option Sheets

Review our Career Option Sheets in PDFs below to become familiar with how your academic major relates to sample occupations, potential topics, work settings, student organizations, professional associations, online resources and key skills needed in specific industries.

These may also be found in the <u>Handshake Resource Library</u> and in our <u>Resource</u> Room. More Career Options Sheets are in progress and will be added soon!

- Aerospace (PDF)
- Anthropology (PDF)
- Art History (PDF)
- Biology & Life Sciences (PDF)
- Biomedical Engineering (PDF)
- Broadcasting, Radio, & Other Media (PDF)
- Chemistry (PDF)
- Civil Engineering (PDF)
- Communication (PDF)
- Criminology & Criminal Justice (PDF)
- Dance (PDF)
- Data Science & Data Analytics (PDF)
- Dentistry (PDF)
- Economic Consulting (PDF)
- Economics (PDF)





Career Option Sheets

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & **COMPUTER SCIENCE**







SAMPLE DEGREES

- Active Listening
- Analytical
- Attention to Detail
- Continual Learning
- Data Analysis
- Logic
- Patience
- Problem Solving
- Technical
- Trouble Shooting

- Artificial Intelligence
- Cyber, System, & Network Security
- Data/Information
- Management & Analytics
- Structures & Algorithms
- Networking & Communication
- Software Development

- & Programming
- Systems
 - Administration
 - Analysis Computer Architecture
- Theoretical Computer Science
- Web & Mobile
 - Mobile App Development
 - Website Design

- Business Administration, Concentration in IT (BBA)
- Computer Science (BA, BS, BS/ MS, MS, PhD)
- Cybersecurity (BPS)
- Cybersecurity in Computer Science (MS)
- Information Systems Tech (MS)
- Integrated Information Science & Tech (BPS)



SAMPLE OCCUPATIONS

- Computer Scientist
- Computer Systems Analyst
- Database Administrator
- Data Scientist
- Health Information Technician
- IT Consultant

- Computer Programmer
 IT Help Desk Technician
 - IT Security Specialist
 - Mobile App Designer
 - Network Analyst
 - Predictive Analyst Software Developer
 - UX/UI Designer
 - Video Game Designer Web Developer

POSSIBLE WORK SETTINGS

- Aviation Company
- Company (In-House IT Department)
- Design Firm
- Digital Marketing Company
- Federal Government
- Game Developer
- Hospital

- Independent/Freelance
- Insurance Company
- K-12 School
- Social Media Company
- Software Developer
- Tech Company
- Telecommunications Company University/College



SAMPLE STUDENT ORGS

- Cyber Colonials
- GW Blockchain Club
- GW Cyber
- GW DATA Club
- GW Robotics
- GWACM (Computing Machinery)
- Women in Computer Science



ENGINEERING

PROFESSIONAL ORGS

- Association for Computing Machinery
- Association for Women in Computing
- Association of IT Professionals (AITP)
- Computer & Communications Industry Association
- Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA)
- IEEE Computer Society



SAMPLE EMPLOYERS

- Accenture
- Apex Systems
- Apple
- AT&T
- BAE Systems
- Comcast
- Dreamworks
- Dupont Creative
- Electronic Arts
- Facebook
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Fidelity Investments
- FTI Consulting
- Garmin
- Georgetown Day School
- Google Hewlett-Packard
- IBM Information Sciences Institute

- Intel
- Johnny Flash Productions
- Microsoft
- Motorola
- MITRE
- Naval Research Laboratory
- NetApp
- Nintendo
- OpenXcell
- Powertek Corporation
- Sony Electronics
- The Web Development Group
- Twitter
- US Department of Defense
- US Department of Homeland Security
- Utility
- Verizon



Finding Opportunities:

Name	Resources	Url
Handshake	Internships/Jobs/Career Events	https://joinhandshake.com/
Indeed	Internships/Career Articles	https://www.indeed.com/
LinkedIn	Internships/Networking	https://www.linkedin.com/
Glassdoor	Internships/Interview Tips	https://www.glassdoor.co m/
Zip Recruiter	Internships/Jobs	https://www.ziprecruiter.com/
Engineering Jobs	Engineering Jobs	https://www.engineeringjo bs.net/

WHERE TO FIND INTERNSHIPS & JOBS:

- Handshake, other job board sites
- GW Career Expo(Friday, September 12, 11am to 3pm)
- Networking, word of mouth

GW Career Connect

- Networking Workshops, LinkedIn
- Company Websites, USAJobs for Federal Government



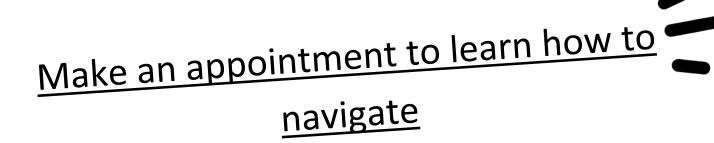


Finding Opportunities:



LET'S TALK ABOUT HANDSHAKE:

- Use filters strategically
- Save searches, and set up email updates
- You can use Handshake even after you graduate!
- Make an appointment!









Fall 2025 Career Exploration Expo

Date: Friday, Sept 12

Time: 11 am to 3 pm

Venue: University Student

Center, 3rd Floor

Over 48 companies will join the Fair including several Engineering Firms





Job Market Trends:

• It is predicted that Gen Z will hold 18 jobs across 6 different career fields.

LinkedIn Survey

Research indicates 85% of career success comes from having well-developed soft skills.

Harvard University, The Carnegie Foundation, and Stanford Research Center

• Adaptability, resilience, critical thinking, continuous learning, high levels of emotional intelligence

How to write/talk about yourself?





Resume Basic:

- ONE page
- Margins between 0.5-1"
- Font size: 10-12 pt.
- BORING is BEST, readability is key
- Use **bolding**, *italics*, and <u>underlining</u> to draw attention/separate text.
- Be consistent! Even your use of capitalization, commas, dashes, and semicolons matters.

MARTHA WASHINGTON

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EDUCATION

George Washington University, Washington, D.C. Expected Graduation May 2026
Bachelor of Science Electrical Engineering

Honors: Dean's List, The Fancy Name Scholarship recipient

Relevant Coursework: Novel Wireless Communication, Guidance Systems, Risk & Policy Analysis

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Summer Intern May 2023 – August 2023 Boeing Arlington, VA

- Communicated daily and monthly project metrics to Project and Team lead.
- Conducted analysis of project risks, issues, and opportunities.
- Completed testing programs and trials with external project teams to assess final build.

Science & Engineering Hall Library Associate George Washington University, SEAS

September 2022 – Present Washington, DC

- Supported college reference desk, utilizing research tools and programs including Endnotes.
- Assisted with timely book and equipment delivery to on-campus professors per request.
- Managed packing, shipping, filing, and tracking of books and equipment both within School and through area university consortium.

ACTIVITIES

Society of Women Engineers Secretary

September 2022 – Present

SKILLS

Languages English (native), Spanish (professional proficiency)
Technical Proficiency Microsoft Suite, Google Suite, Python, MATLAB





Why LinkedIn:

- Amazing Professional Networking Tool
- Receive Job alerts/Industry News/LinkedIn Learning
- Informational Interview Opportunities
- Ask for referrals!!

Dear John Doe,

I hope you're doing well. I am interested in applying for the (role) (Job ID) at (company) and would greatly appreciate any insights you might have.

I am currently a sophomore majoring in [Major] at GW, and I would be grateful if you could review my resume or consider referring me for the position. Please let me know if this would be possible.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I truly appreciate your help.



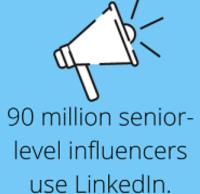
LinkedIn at a glance



has over 610 million members.



40% of users visit the site daily.





users spend about 17 minutes per month on the site.



55 job applications submitted per second.



profiles with photos get 21x more views.

https://blogs.surrey.ac.uk/careers/2020/11/20/why-employers-think-you-should-use-linkedin/



Interviews:

- Prepare a strong self-introduction Statement (60-90 seconds)
- Practice answering behavioral questions
- Participate in a mock interview
- Use VMOCK or visit the Career Center!
- Show your passion, do the research, and impress the employer





VMOCK

- 24/7 Availability
- Al-based Resume Review
- Practice Mock Interviews







STAR/PAR Statements:

- What was the SITUATION/TASK/PROBLEM?
- What ACTIONS did you take?
- What was the RESULT, outcome, benefits/impact?

Start with a **strong action verb** – what did you do?

Add **qualifiers** (details) and **quantifiers** (numbers) – who, what, where, and how?

Include results – what was the purpose, outcome, or impact of your actions?



STAR/PAR Statements:

AFTER...

Summer Intern

Raytheon

 Collected and conducted analysis on data sets weekly, developing 3 conclusive reports per month for Project Manager.



Summer Intern

Raytheon

· Worked on research for team lead.



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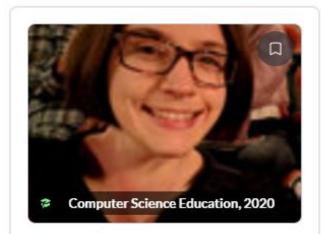
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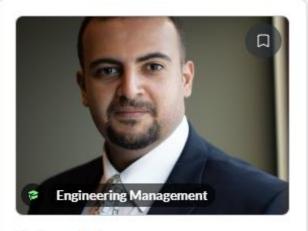
Rachel Miller

Instructional Technology Specialist at Sartell-St. Stephen School District

I can help with

Resumes/CVs and cover letters

Message



Mohamed Farag

Special Faculty, Lecturer at Carnegie Mellon University

I can help with

Upskilling +1

Message



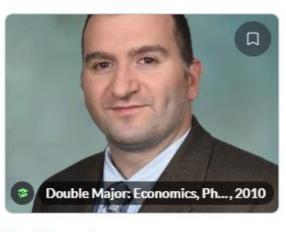
Xiaoan Huang

Front Desk Staff at Northern Virginia Community College

Topics of interest

Resumes/CVs and cover letters +3

Message



Paul Ghayad

Technology Evangelist at CData Software

I can help with

Resumes/CVs and cover letters +1

Message

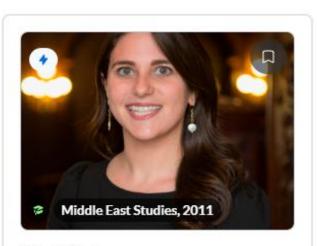


Roberto Luna

Software Engineering Manager at Boeing

I can help with

Diversity and inclusion +2



Mia Wittels

Director, External Partnerships & Career Engagement at Haverford College

I can help with

Grad school Picking a major + 9



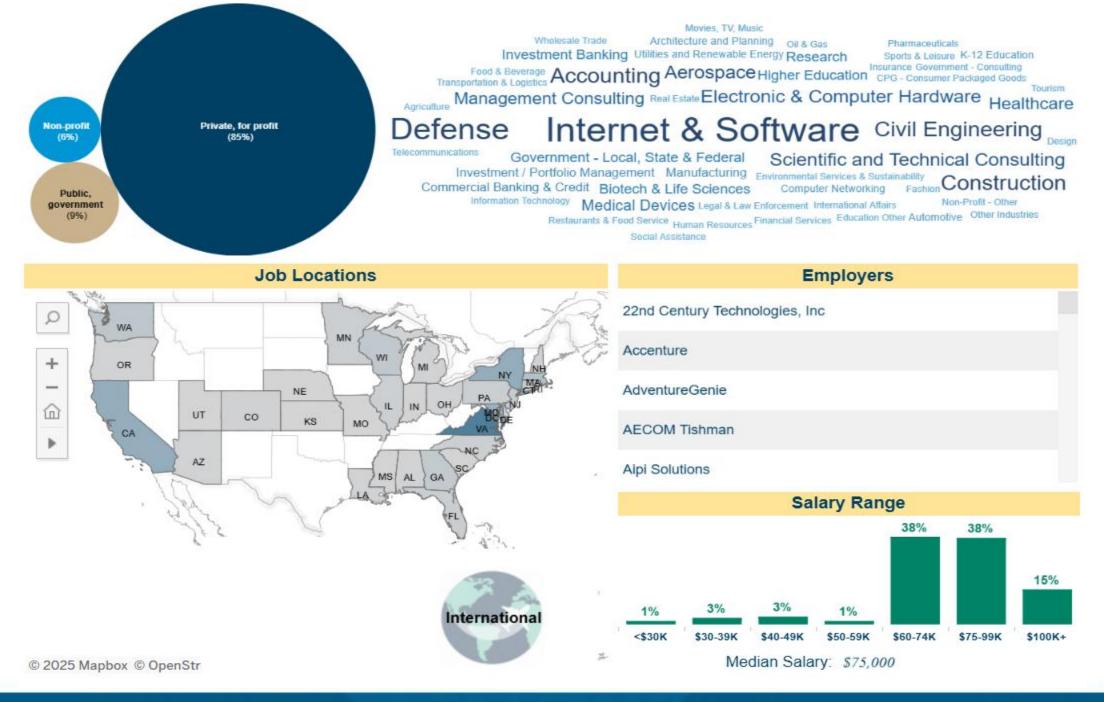


Abdelghani Bellaachia CEO at Stemtree Franchising, LLC

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON, DC

Computer Science Outcomes

https://careerservices.gwu.edu/undergraduate-employment-education-outcomes





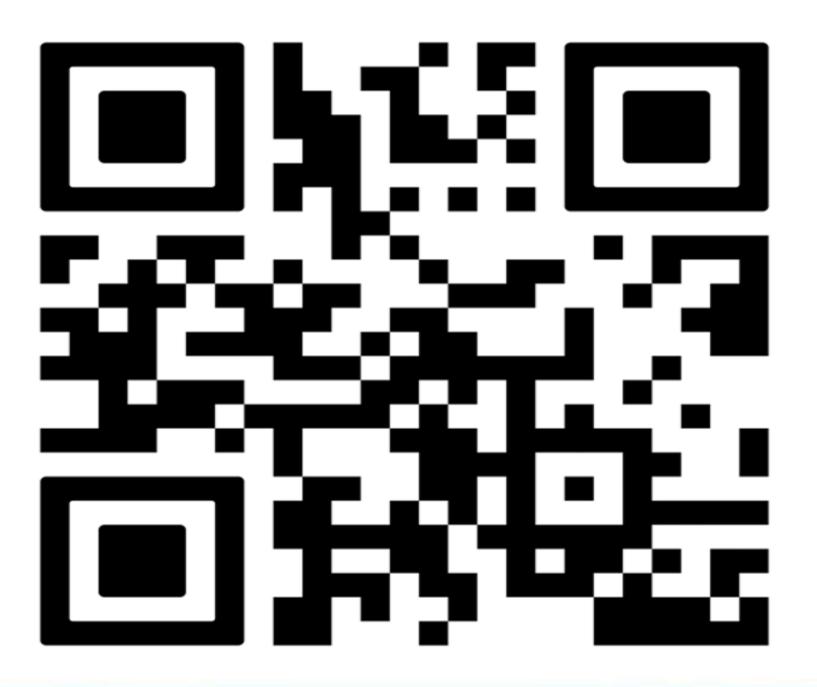








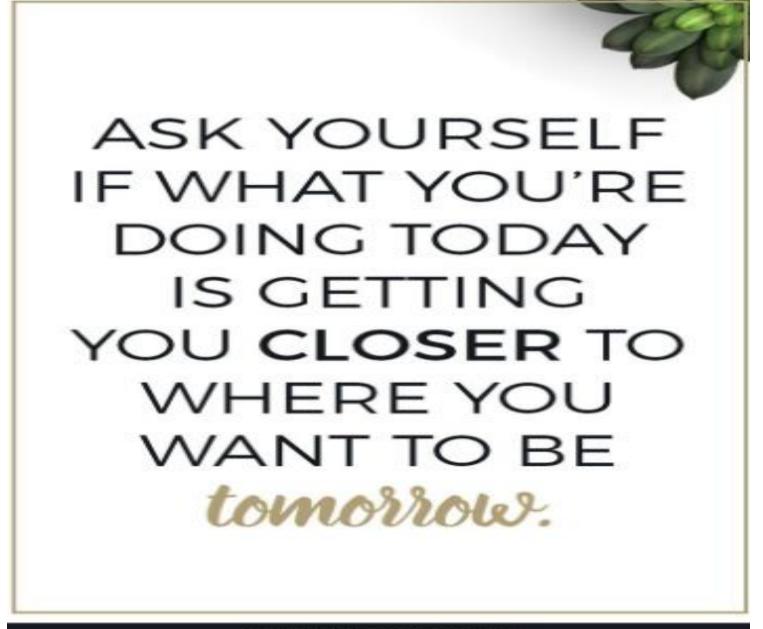
One Last Survey!







Final Thoughts: Seize the Day!



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