Career Confidence is Only a Conversation Away!

DISCOVER
Take charge of your life path by realizing the importance of career reflection rather than major declaration. The formula is really pretty simple – select a career and the right major will follow. Our staff of career experts will patiently help you uncover the characteristics that define you: hobbies, abilities, personality, and values. The exciting part is that there really are careers out there that match YOU. We have the tools and knowledge, if you make the time. In fact, 99 percent of students who have visited our office would recommend our services to others. And, 91 percent of students strongly believe our career experts are knowledgeable. Now it’s up to you to take the first step!

DECIDE
What is the most important decision you have made to date? Did you use a process to make it? Did you arrive at your decision easily or with deliberation? In many respects, identifying your career goal is the ultimate decision and has far reaching impact on life choices such as leisure time, marriage, family, and lifestyle. While you may not realize it, not making a career decision, IS making a decision that can greatly influence future options.

DIVE IN
GAIN EXPERIENCE
The best way to explore and firm up a career decision is to get experience, and it’s easier than you think! A student job on campus, internship, or volunteer position can help you decide whether you have found the right fit. This type of experience can also help you improve critical skills employers seek and increase your likelihood of a full time job offer prior to graduation.

WORK ON-CAMPUS
On average, 75 percent of all college students are employed while taking classes and studies show that students who work no more than 20 hours per week actually do better academically than those who do not work at all. So why not work where you take classes! Kent State’s eight campus system annually employs more than 6,000 students in over 8,000 jobs. To be eligible to work on campus, undergraduate students must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours. Students who receive a Federal Work Study (FWS) award through the Student Financial Aid Office earn FWS monies through hourly employment.

COMPLETE AN INTERNSHIP
Internships are not only an excellent way to test-drive your major/career choice; they are also the number one recruiting method for employers. In fact, of employers surveyed by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, over 64 percent made full-time job offers to their interns. An internship is a short-term, mentored work experience connected to a student’s academic major and/or chosen career path. Internships are typically paid and can often be completed for academic credit.

GET HIRED
DISCOVER JOBS AND INTERNSHIPS FOR KSU CANDIDATES
Admitted students can search and apply to hundreds of Career Services Center approved student jobs, internships and full-time professional positions. In addition, students and alumni have access to on-campus interview signups as well as a calendar of events that includes employers hosting information tables and sessions on campus.

INVESTIGATE OTHER SERVICES
CONSIDER GRADUATE SCHOOL
While an advanced degree may not be for everyone, there are particular professions which require additional schooling beyond the traditional four years. Our career experts will help you identify these occupations and explain the application process.

TEST FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT
Put your prior knowledge to use, advance your progress toward graduation and save money by earning college credit through the College Level Examination Program.

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