UD’s Career Center

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Career Center

• Located right next to Perkins Student Center
• Come for all your career development needs and many workshops/events
• Picking a major (what’s important to you)
  • Finding internships & jobs
  • Networking opportunities
  • Alumni connections
• Resumes, Cover Letters, & LinkedIn review
  • Planning your college career to prepare yourself for after college
• The Career Center works directly with academic units to ensure you are informed in your academic field of study
International students created or supported over 458,000 U.S. jobs. That's three jobs for every seven international students.³

Nearly one-quarter of the founders of the $1 billion U.S. startup companies first came to America as international students.⁴

(NAFSA, 2019)
Career Readiness...WHAT!?

Career readiness is the attainment and demonstration of requisite competencies that broadly prepare college graduates for a successful transition into the workplace (NACE, 2017)

- **Critical Thinking/Problem Solving**: Exercise sound reasoning to analyze issues, make decisions, and overcome problems.
- **Oral/Written Communications**: Articulate thoughts and ideas clearly and effectively in written and oral forms.
- **Teamwork/Collaboration**: Build collaborative relationships with colleagues and customers representing diverse cultures, races, ages, genders, religions, lifestyles, and viewpoints.
- **Digital Technology**: Leverage existing digital technologies ethically and efficiently to solve problems, complete tasks, and accomplish goals.
- **Leadership**: Leverage the strengths of others to achieve common goals, and use interpersonal skills to coach and develop others.
- **Professionalism/Work Ethic**: Demonstrate personal accountability and effective work habits, e.g., punctuality, working productively with others, time and workload management, and understand the impact of non-verbal communication on professional work image.
- **Career Management**: Identify and articulate one's skills, strengths, knowledge, and experiences relevant to the position desired and career goals, and identify areas necessary for professional growth.
- **Global/Intercultural Fluency**: Value, respect, and learn from diverse cultures, races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, and religions.
International Student Career Counselor

Receive direct support from the international career counselor to:

• Learn how to better leverage your visa status in the U.S. to increase employment opportunities and gain practical experience
• Learn how to articulate unique skills as an international student through every aspect of the career plan
• Gain insight through international student dedicated career readiness programming efforts

*Streamline process in working with OISS/Career Center
So what can a career counselor do for me?

- **Increase awareness.** Determine potential career paths by taking skill and personality assessments, exploring career communities and finding connections for informational interviews and networking.
- **Find career fit.** Identify your passions and values to highlight possible careers, industries or organizations of interest.
- **Set realistic goals.** Learn what it takes to create your own future and manage your professional expectations.
- **Take action.** Plan experiences such as shadowing, volunteering and internships.
- **Get unstuck.** Develop soft and hard skills needed for post-university success and learn how to problem solve when boundaries to success appear.
- **Create multiple possibilities for the future.** Discover what it means to develop a career path, not just to find a job.
What’s next?

• Attend “An Evening Discussion: Prepare for the Virtual Fair” held on September 9th, 2020 at 5:00pm! RSVP through Handshake.

• Meet with a Career Counselor to begin mapping out your career path!

• Explore the OISSL newsletters for Career Readiness updates.

• Look at the many resources available to you on the Career Center webpage.
The Career Center is committed to providing a seamless virtual experience for advancing professional goals. We offer comprehensive virtual services from career preparation activities to a variety of opportunities for talented Blue Hens and employers to connect.