

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

<http://jobsearch.about.com/od/networking>

85 Broads www.85broads.com

Women who are students or alumnae of 85 Broads undergraduate or graduate partner schools are eligible to join 85 Broads, a powerful network that connects a community of intelligent, motivated, and successful women around the globe.

Alumni Net www.alumni.net

Find fellow alumni from company, high school, university, and other organization affiliations.

Alumni Networking www.alumninetworking.com

Contact the Career Services or Alumni Affairs office at your college or university to find alumni career networking contacts.

Bright Circles www.brightcircles.com

Bright Circles alumni community lets current and former employees from leading companies and organizations stay in touch.

Classmates.com www.classmates.com

Find high school, college, military and workplace (in the Work and Careers Directory) connections. Friends and colleagues are ideal job search networking resources.

Doostang www.doostang.com

Doostang is an invite-only community founded by a Stanford MBA and an MIT engineer that connects young professionals to career opportunities through social networking.

Facebook www.facebook.com

Should you use Facebook for professional networking, and, if so, what is the best way to use it?

Fast Company - Company of Friends

www.companyoffriends.com

Company of Friends is a community of self-organizing groups of business leaders and innovators. Members help each other improve their careers, companies, and communities.

Friendster www.friendster.com

Friendster is a social networking site where you can meet new friends and connect with old ones, stay in touch and browse to find people with similar interests.

Jobster www.jobster.com

Create a profile that includes YouTube-hosted video information about your background, tags, and a personalized url you can use to share your digital resume with employers.

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LinkedIn www.linkedin.com

LinkedIn is an interconnected network of experienced professionals from around the world, representing 170 industries and 200 countries. You can find, be introduced to, and collaborate with qualified professionals that you need to work with to accomplish your goals.

Meet up Network and Careers www.meetup.com

The Meet-Up social networking site enables users to find groups of people with interests that match theirs. Check the Work and Careers category or browse a variety of other topics.

Monster Networking www.monster.com

Register with Monster to search for job search networking contacts by keyword, occupation, company, school or location. Keep track of career networking contacts and messages. Additional benefits (for a fee) include Instant Messaging for VIP Members.

MySpace www.myspace.com

MySpace is a social networking website offering users the opportunity to connect through personal profiles, blogs, groups and other features. MySpace is one of the most popular social networking sites, and currently has over 100 million accounts.

MyWorkster www.myworkster.com

Professionally network with students, graduates, and employers. Plus resume posting and job search tools.

Ning www.ning.com

Ning is an online service to create, customize, and share a social network. Users have used Ning to create online social networks about tons of subjects, including jobs and the job search.

Ryze www.ryze.com

Network to grow your career and to find a job. Free networking-oriented home page and messaging.

Twitter www.twitter.com

Twitter is a social networking and microblogging service utilizing instant messaging, SMS or a web interface. Twitter is open ended and people and companies use it in a variety of ways, including searching for jobs.

Vault Message Boards www.vault.com

Online discussion forums for a variety of career topics, undergraduate and graduate schools, industries and companies. These are excellent sources for networking to find career and company information.



Career Connections

“Providing resources to help you make the connections you need when facing a career transition or searching for new business opportunities.”



LOCAL MINISTRY MEETINGS

Colonial Baptist Church JobSeekers Tel: 233-9100
Mondays, 8:30-11:00 am, Colonial Baptist Student Center

Hope Community Church Tel: 562-0620
Thursdays, 8:30-10:00 am

Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church Tel: 847-1912
Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 am, SAPC Fellowship Hall

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Wake County Health & Human Services Resource Guide: www.wakegov.com/humanservices

The Wake County Guide points to available area resources for the following:

- Budget Counseling
- Clothing
- Crisis Hotlines
- Educational Resources
- Employment Resources
- Financial Assistance for Rent and Utilities
- Food Resources
- Housing
 - Affordable Housing
 - Are You Ready To Rent?
 - Fair Housing
 - Homeownership
 - Housing for Special Needs
 - Rooming Houses
 - Shelters
 - Transitional Housing
 - Other Housing Programs/Services
- Identification
- Legal Services
- Medical Care:
 - Homeless
 - Uninsured
 - Adult Medicaid/Medicare
 - HIV/AIDS Services
 - Prescription Assistance
 - Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services
- Pregnancy and Child Care
- Refugee Programs
- Resources for Working with Latino Families
- Senior Resources
- Toiletry Items/Laundry/Shower
- Transportation
- Veteran's Services

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

www.mycomputercareer.com is the only local IT school that specializes in helping people make a career change to the computer industry--regardless of your previous education or work experience.

COLLEGE FOUNDATION OF NORTH CAROLINA

The following sites are available via www.cfnc.org.

Introduction to the CFNC Career Center

Learn how the CFNC Career Center can help you determine career goals and direction.

Apply to NC Colleges and Universities

Career Key

Find occupations that relate to your interests.

Career Portfolio

Create your own individual career portfolio.

CFNC Bridges Planning Tools

Access the powerful CFNC Bridges Planning Tools to help you narrow in on majors, universities, and careers: Includes information on salaries, job prospects, etc.

Explore Career Opportunities

Fastest Growing Careers

Discover North Carolina's fastest growing occupations.

Information for Students and Parents

Get career advice specific to middle school and high school students and parents.

How to Pay for College

List of Careers

Find detailed information on specific occupations and where to get the necessary education.

North Carolina Education Foundation

Nursing Careers

Explore career options in the fast-growing field of nursing.

Student-Career Matching Assistant

Take an interactive test to discover which occupations match your goals.

Teacher Education

Enrich and empower the lives of others...be a teacher.

JOB LINK

www.joblinkcc.com

Capital Area's JobLink Career Center System brings together an array of services to help job seekers find employment and to assist businesses in filling job openings. Offering high quality, customized services in one convenient location, the JobLink Career Center is a valuable resource for both individuals seeking employment opportunities or training resources and businesses needing to maintain or increase their workforce.

TOP JOB SEARCH SITES

AllJobSearch.com www.alljobsearch.com

Provides a unique job search that enables job seekers to search a large number of job sites allowing job seekers to narrow their search using advanced search criteria. In addition to traditional job sites like Monster.com AllJobSearch.com also pulls in results from newspaper classifieds and Internet newsgroups.

America's Job Bank www.jobbankinfo.org

Offers millions of job listings, at all levels, from unemployment agencies, private employers and public corporations. The services offered on this site are free for both job seekers and employers. You'll find job search, resume posting, job search scouts and other career search tools.

CareerBuilder www.careerbuilder.com

Post your resume and search by location, job title, keyword, and salary. Good source for local positions.

Career Journal www.careerjournal.com

Sponsored by the Wall Street Journal and contains a large selection of useful job search articles, job search engine and job tools.

Craigslist www.craigslist.com

There's nothing fancy or significantly searchable about Craig's List: Just a simple list of "real" jobs. Click on the city that interests you and review the list of job openings

Dice.com www.dice.com

Dice.com is the most recommended job site for information technology industry positions. Reviewers like its straightforward interface and say that industry-specific niche sites generally work better than generalist.

DirectEmployer.com www.directemployer.com

The DirectEmployer.com job search engine allows you to search by keyword, filter by date (date listing was posted), source (employer or staffing firm), location, and industry.

TOP JOB SEARCH SITES (continued)

EmploymentWizard.com

www.employmentwizard.com

Provides many current (newer than 2 weeks) job listings from hundreds of newspapers nationwide. This site provides access to job listings that can't be found anywhere else online.

Job Search Engine Sites

Google job search engines. Use job search engines like Indeed and Simply Hired to search all the top job sites, company sites and online newspapers with one or two clicks.

Monster www.monster.com

The web's most popular national (and international) database of employment opportunities.

Photography Training www.aionline.edu

Launch Your Creative Career! Career-oriented programs are designed for imaginative people just like you.

TriangleJobs www.trianglejobs.com

Trianglejobs.com Career Expo Raleigh Convention Center, Wednesday, February 25, 10am to 3pm.

TrueCareers.com www.truecareers.com

Created by Sallie Mae, TrueCareers is a job site that offers thousands of job openings, career articles and other career resources. Users may enter the TrueCareers sweepstakes where you may win thousands in cash or student loan payments. Job seekers can search jobs by keyword and location; the Advanced Search lets you get more specific. Job posting and resume submission services are also available.

USAJobs.gov www.usajobs.gov

This is the official job site of the United States Federal Government. It's your one-stop source for Federal jobs and employment information.

USPostalServiceJobs www.testingauthorityinc.net

Call 1-800-958-5314.

Yahoo! HotJobs www.jobsearch.about.com

Job search by career field, location, and company. Also resume posting and job search agents.

INTERVIEW VIDEO RESOURCES

www.video.about.com/careers.htm

- How to Prepare for a Job Interview
- Job Interview Tips
- Phone Interviewing
- Improving Your Appearance and Body Language While Interviewing