



NDSU CAREER CENTER

2016-2017 Career Fairs

The career fairs hosted by the NDSU Career Center have been extremely successful this year.

In the fall semester, 1,157 recruiters represented 478 companies, and a record total of 3,398 students were in attendance at the Part-time Jobs Fair, Meet the Firms, Agriculture and Agribusiness Career Expo, Engineering and Tech Expo, Marketing & Sales Hiring Fair, and Business Internship and Career Expo. As a result, a total of 115 companies conducted 1008 interviews for both full-time and internship positions.

The Career Expo on February 7th and 8th brought 1,542 students and 760 recruiters representing 292 companies between the two days. After the career fair, 35 employers stayed on campus to conduct 289 interviews for full-time and internship positions.

Coming up are the Part-time and Summer Jobs Fair on February 28th and the Marketing and Sales Hiring Fair on March 29th to close out our career fair season.

Preparing for Internships

In today's competitive job market, internships are becoming increasingly important. By participating in an internship a student can test a career path, gain direct experience in their major and build strong networking connections. Generally speaking, most students start looking for internships during their sophomore year at NDSU.

What can a student be doing now to prepare for an internship?

The Career Center has a few suggestions.

1. Get involved with campus student or academic organizations. This is an excellent way to showcase leadership and teamwork to an employer. And with over 300 organizations on campus, there is something for everyone!
2. Find a part-time job. Part-time jobs can help prove essential skill sets like communication, time management, and responsibility. The NDSU Career Center has a link to the part-time job board right on its homepage! <https://career.ndsu.edu/>
3. Volunteer. Serving as a volunteer for any local or national charity or organization is an additional way to develop skills that employers are seeking in an intern.
4. Start attending career fairs. The Career Center host a variety of events each semester and this is a great way to start connecting with employers.
5. Create a strong resume. The Career Center has professional staff available all year-round to help students with resume and cover letter development. It is recommended that a student starts developing a resume early so that when an opportunity to apply for an internship arises, they will be ready.

For more information about career-related services offered to students, please visit our webpage. <https://career.ndsu.edu/>



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SCHOLARSHIPS

Applying for Scholarships Doesn't Stop After High School

Don't forget that applying for scholarships doesn't stop after high school. There are lots of scholarships available for students who are currently in college; many that don't receive enough qualified applications each year. Haven't started applying for scholarships for next year? Now is the perfect time!!

» **Apply for the NDSU General Scholarship**

Returning students who have completed one semester at NDSU with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher are encouraged to complete the [NDSU General Scholarship](#) application through AcademicWorks. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships selects the recipients of approximately 60 scholarships each year. Many of these scholarships have special eligibility criteria so it is necessary for us to gather additional information from your student on this application. Since many scholarships are also based on financial need, we recommend that your student submits the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) by March 15, 2017.

» **Utilize AcademicWorks**

AcademicWorks is an online software NDSU uses to match students with relevant scholarship opportunities. It gives students the opportunity to create a profile and easily search and apply for scholarships they are eligible for. You can view both NDSU and external scholarship opportunities. For more information on AcademicWorks visit www.ndsu.edu/onestop/finaid/scholarships/external/

» **Departmental Scholarship**

Most NDSU college or departmental scholarships are available through [AcademicWorks](#). If your student does not see their college/departmental scholarships listed in [Academic Works](#), they can contact their advisor to see if there are scholarships available.

» **Find Local Scholarships**

Check with local professional organizations, community groups, churches, and parents' employer to see if they offer scholarships. Local or regional scholarships have fewer people applying for them, so there is a higher chance of getting one. Larger companies usually offer scholarships to children of their employees, so check that out as well.

» **Renewable Scholarships**

Check with scholarship donors to see if a scholarship your student has previously received is renewable or if they can apply again. Sometimes scholarship donors may not have enough qualified applicants and will grant a scholarship renewal.

» **Search Online**

Utilize scholarship search sites or social media to find scholarships. Remember, searching for scholarships should be free. Don't apply for scholarships that require an application fee; they should be giving money to your student!

Apply for as many scholarships as possible to help lower the amount of student loan debt your student will have to pay back once they have graduated from college. Once your student has been notified that they have been awarded a scholarship for the 2017-2018 academic year, your student needs to report that scholarship on Campus Connection. For instructions on how to do this visit www.ndsu.edu/onestop/connect/externalaid/

VISIT CAMPUS!

NDSU Theatre presents: Songs for a New World - March 4

Mid-Winter Choral Concert - March 5

Spring Tour Choir Concert - March 19

Baseball vs. Minot State - April 5

28th Annual Woodlands & High Plains Pow Wow at MSUM Nemzek Hall- April 1st, 2017

Baseball vs. South Dakota State - April 7

Softball vs. IUPUI - April 8

HEALTHY HERD CHAMPIONS

HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROMOTION

Adjusting to life as a university student can be a challenging and exciting time. However, increased autonomy and responsibility can be stressful for some students and may result in poor health choices and behaviors including poor nutrition, alcohol and other drug abuse, tobacco use, unhealthy sexual practices, and other risky-behaviors.

The Health and Wellness Promotion program, housed within Student Health Service, strives to promote, provide, and connect students to health and wellness resources to aid in student learning about healthy choices and see the positive influence their choices have on their academic, social and personal success. Through the Healthy Herd Champions, a student wellness peer education program, student volunteers work together to provide fun and engaging health and wellness programs and opportunities for the NDSU campus. This program provides an opportunity for students to serve as a role model and leader while encouraging others to make responsible and healthy lifestyle choices.

Peer Educator programs are based on the belief that students are highly effective in influencing the health attitudes and behaviors of other students. They are valuable in identifying risky behaviors, providing opportunities and information for health behavior change, and serve as role models while correcting misinformation and misperceptions among their fellow peers. Peer education makes use of peer influence in a positive way! Students of all ages are faced with making personal decisions about health and safety. Developing positive decision-making skills prepares students to live and promote healthy and safe lifestyles.

The peer educators involved with this program are passionate about bringing a wide variety of program and collaborative events to campus such as:

- » Cold and flu education and self-care kits
- » 5 S's of Spring Break (Shots, Sun, Sex, Safety, Strangers)
- » Get Yourself Tested (for STDs) awareness campaign and other safe sex programming
- » Monthly wellness updates and education

The Healthy Herd Champions are looking to add new members for the fall 2017 academic year and are currently accepting applications. For more information, visit our webpage: https://www.ndsu.edu/studenthealthservice/healthpromotion/healthy_herd_champions/

For questions regarding health and wellness promotion or the Healthy Herd Champion program, visit our webpage at www.ndsu.edu/studenthealthservice/healthpromotion/ or contact Emily Hegg, the Health and Wellness Promotion Coordinator.

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