

Making the most of your Engineering Career Fair experience

There will be 90 employers at the Engineering Career Fair on Thursday. Being prepared and having a strategy for navigating the fair will increase your chances of landing more interviews, leading to more potential offers.

To prepare, you should [have your elevator speech ready to go](#) and make sure you [research the employers you want to meet](#) while at the career fair. Be sure to apply to any postings on employers' websites or on UICcareers. They will appreciate your proactive approach.

Dress professionally. [Examples](#)

The career fair will be crowded. Be patient and keep a smile on your face. You should be in interview mode the entire time. You never know when an employer is peeking at what's going on in their line or on the sidelines.

The key is to be memorable and stand out in a good way. Employers will remember the students who are able to highlight their own strengths and relate them to the needs of the employer (which shows you did your research!). More preparation = More confidence. No need to be nervous. Be ready!

NEXT WEEK: Follow up with employers

ENGR CAREER FAIR QUICK TIPS

- Practice your elevator speech to make the best first impression
- Research your target employers
- [Dress to impress!](#)
- Get names so you can follow up
- Bring [nicely formatted resumes](#)

APPLY BEFORE THE FAIR!

Some employers you meet with will tell you to go apply to the openings posted on their website or on UIC Careers. **Do this ahead of time** and your resume has a better chance of landing in the "call back" pile.



CAREER FAIR PREPARATION

[ENGR Career Fair details & current employer list](#)

[Prepare for the Career Fair: Before, During & After](#)

Is your resume ready to present to employers?

Check out some [Resume Tips & Examples](#)

You can also attend a resume review session:

- Monday, January 30th, 3-4pm, SEO 822

You can hold your resumes in a nice looking folder or a [padfolio](#) looks even more professional.

FEATURED EMPLOYERS – OVER 85 ATTENDING

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EVENTS

We'll see you at the Engineering Career Fair on Thursday!

Technology Career Fair

Tuesday, Feb. 7th | 5-7 PM
SCE Illinois Room | CS/CompE
[Event Details](#)

Internship/Part-Time Career Fair

Thursday Feb. 9th | 12 - 2PM
SCE Illinois Room | All majors
[Details & Registered Companies](#)

Internships, co-ops and jobs posted on [UICcareers](#)

ENGINEERING: 587

Is your resume updated & uploaded? Employers review profiles often New to UICcareers? [Go here](#)

Career Advice from the Experts

We have hand-selected recent articles with career development advice to help you prepare for your future career in engineering.

Featured articles this week: Attending career fairs

- [5 Things You MUST Do Before Attending A Job Fair](#)
- [The Ten Keys to Success at Job and Career Fairs](#)
- [Career and Job Fair Do's and Don'ts](#)

Engineering Career Center

816/818/820 – SEO

[Walk-in Hours](#)

Tuesday – Thursday | 11AM – 3PM

Services Offered

- Individual career coaching
- Resume and cover letter reviews
- Interview preparation
- Salary and job offer negotiation
- Internship & full-time job search strategies
- Career Fair preparation (Elevator speech)
- Professional etiquette
- Networking & LinkedIn tips
- Career related workshops

NOW HIRING: Featured Employers

Companies with postings on UICcareers

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