

FAQs

Do I need to do anything before the fair?

Recruiters say research is **the key** to a successful job search. So...stand out from the crowd by taking their advice...research organizations before the fair. Not a lot of spare time? Pick your top 5 organizations, do the research then add more organizations as you can.

What do I wear?

Suits are always appropriate for the Fair. Business casual is okay too. Keep in mind, however, “business casual” doesn’t mean “classroom casual.” Organizations say first impressions count so give some thought to what you wear.

There’s so many organizations here...where do I start?

Here are a couple of tips to make it more manageable:

- Before the Fair, develop your “two-minute commercial”: a brief overview of you—your background and career interests (see example below).
- At the Fair, get familiar with the layout: take a minute to review the Fair booklet and room maps.
- When you’re ready, head for your first organization, introduce yourself with a smile and a handshake and begin your “commercial.”
- If you're feeling nervous or need a break, stop by The Career Center table...we can help you practice and give you a little “pep talk.”

Start your two-minute commercial with:

Hi, my name is _____ and I noticed you’re recruiting for _____ type of opportunities. I’m interested in this for these reasons...

What do I bring to the Fair?

Bring copies of your resume, unofficial transcript, reference sheet, portfolio (if available), pen/pencil and notebook. You’ll want your resume as you’re chatting with organizations and the other items may come in handy. If you’re asked for them, you’ll present yourself as a prepared job seeker!