Networking For Computing Science Majors

Studies show that 70% to 80% of jobs and internships are found through some form of networking.

What is networking?

Networking is talking with people who can help you explore career options and goals.

Where do I begin?

LinkedIn is a fantastic tool for networking. Before you contact anyone, think about why you are contacting him/her and what you want to say.

- Utilize LinkedIn to find over 18,000 Elon alumni. Once you set up your profile, you can immediately begin connecting with professionals in your network.

For a list of sample questions, visit Potential Interview Questions on the SPDC website.

Sample industry contacts on LinkedIn

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What is an informational interview and how do I set one up?

An informational interview provides an opportunity to speak with professionals and gain useful information about their careers and experiences. To set up an interview, introduce yourself in a clear and concise way and then quickly let the person know why you are contacting him/her. If someone referred you, use that individual’s name in your introduction. Ideally, you want to arrange a time to meet with the person directly (or by phone, skype, or email) so you can ask him/her detailed questions and gain useful information through an informational interview. If connecting through LinkedIn, include some of this information in the message.

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