

Career Services Program Descriptions

Alumni Dinner Panels

Meet and network with Lafayette alumni in various career fields over dinner. Gain exposure to jobs, career paths, and industry trends. *Topics and majors vary each semester.* Sign-up and refundable deposit required.

Career Fair

We bring the employers to you! Bring plenty of resumes and be prepared to network and discuss full-time and summer opportunities. *Professional dress required for juniors and seniors.*

Career Portfolio Workshops

The new online Career Portfolio allows you to define accomplishments, recount personal experiences, and upload files that demonstrate your qualities and skills that a standard resume just can't. Learn what it is, why you should use it, and how to make the most of this new feature.

Choosing/Changing Your Major

This is one of the hottest topics on campus. Explore your skills and interests and learn what major fits your personality and values.

Education Careers: Getting There from Here

Find out the best way to work toward your teacher certification while at Lafayette, how to gain classroom experience, and how to conduct a job search.

Evaluating Job Offers

We will discuss how to decide if a job offer is for you. Salary information from national surveys and recent Lafayette College graduates will be shared.

Externship Orientation

Mandatory for all students doing an Externship. Receive your host information and details on how to prepare for and what to expect during your externship.

Finance Night in New York

We take you to the City for an evening of information sharing with Lafayette alumni in the 'top' finance companies. Learn more about the industry and how to be competitive in the field. Sign-up and refundable deposit required.

First Year Gateway Meetings

Required group meetings for *all first-year students.* Objectives and guidelines for the Gateway Program will be discussed to help you start your career exploration. Current students offer their perspective. Sign-up required at the Career Services Office, 201 Hogg Hall.

Grad School Prep for Juniors

This workshop will discuss the questions: Should I go? Where should I go? What should I study? What should I expect? How to approach the essay and personal statement issues are also reviewed.

How to Find an Internship

Not sure where or how to look for a summer internship? Learn about Job Vault, web sites, and targeted directories related to your area of interest.

Interview Advice from Recruiters

Learn how to prepare for and what to expect at an interview so that you can make the best impression possible. Recruiters join us to share some helpful hints and offer insights.

Junior Meetings

Mandatory meeting for all juniors. Prepare for junior year and learn specific strategies for locating internship and meaningful summer opportunities.

Leopard Spotting

Leopard Career Connections Day is a campus conference for *all class years and majors.* Please join us for this workshop that will prepare you for the day, give you guidance on how to approach alumni panelists, and make the most of this campus event. We bring the alumni to YOU! Questions will be answered regarding your follow-up and activities after the event.

Market Your Study Abroad Experience

How do you successfully highlight and discuss your overseas experience on your resume and cover letters and to employers? Learn how to communicate this information to maximize your experience and showcase your time abroad.

Marketing Your Liberal Arts Skills

Are you a liberal arts major? Not sure what you can do with this major? Focus on the top skills that employers seek from new graduates. Strategies for internship and job searching will be covered, as well as ways to 'think outside of the box' when it comes to your marketability.

Navigating the Career Fair

This workshop will cover what to expect at the Career Fair, what employers look for, the importance of making a good first impression, and what the '1 minute commercial' is all about? Hear advice from students and recruiters on how to best prepare.

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New Job 101: HR Q&A

Learn what to expect your first few days on the job, what forms will you have to complete, what info you will need to bring with you, and what questions to ask.

Off Campus Events and YOU

What should you expect at Career Service's off-campus events? How do you approach the alumni? How do you dress? What questions can you ask? These questions and more are addressed at this workshop designed to help you get the MOST out of the connections you make today. It's all about YOUR plan.

On-Campus Interviewing Prep Session

Join us to review the Job Vault and learn how to apply for jobs on-line. Procedures, policies, and guidelines for interviewing will be discussed. Get the inside scoop on what to expect and how to make the most of your on-campus interviews. Employer feedback is shared.

OPT/CPT Workshop for F1 Visa Holders

If you are on an F1 visa, this workshop is a must. Learn what you need to do to meet visa requirements so you do not lose valuable time and opportunities.

Recruiters in Residence Mock Interviews

Several recruiters return to campus to conduct practice interviews. They'll offer feedback and tips on successful interviews. *Sign-up required.*

Resume RIOT!

Bring your resume in for a quick resume critique!
No appointment needed.

Senior Meetings

Mandatory meeting for all seniors. Learn all you need to know about what to expect from your senior year, including job searching, interviewing, graduate school, special programs and workshops, and preparation for "Life After Lafayette".

Sophomore Search for Internships

Don't wait until junior year to start the internship search! We'll give you guidance, discuss strategies, and offer suggestions for mastering your search to find a relevant and interesting summer internship.

Student Tips for Internships

Hear from classmates how and where to search for internships, and what worked best for them. Learn how to make the most of your summers.

Study Abroad and Career Services

If you plan on a semester or year abroad, this workshop will review what you need to do before, during, and after you leave. Ensure that you stay informed and up-to-date on recruitment, job and internship searching, and Career Service events.

Term of Service Programs

Looking for a way to give back to the community? Want to do something for 'the greater good' before you embark on a career? This workshop will discuss 'term of service' or 'gap year' programs, suggest resources, and give advice on how to land that position that will be rewarding beyond compare.

The Externship Process Made Easy

Learn the mechanics of the "process," application details, and ask your questions before you apply.

The Key to the Lafayette Connection

Learn the essentials of connecting with Lafayette alumni and others who can help you in your career path, including what is appropriate and when you may be "crossing the line."

Unlocking the Job Vault

The "information center" of Career Services is the Job Vault. All career information, including internships and job postings, employer information and contacts, career search tools, etc., are housed in the Job Vault. Learn how to navigate through the confusion and maximize your outcomes.

Writing a Successful Grad School Essay

The grad school essay is one of the most important pieces of the application process. Learn tips on how to write an outstanding essay and hear from students about their experiences.

Writing a Winning Resume Workshop

Learn how to create a powerful resume that employers want to read! Get maximum results leading to interviews and job offers. Writing style, content, accomplishments, action terminology, and layout will be covered.

Your First Resume for First Year Students

Resume building for first year students. Learn what to include (and what not to include!) on your first college resume.