

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
**CAREER COUNSELING
AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

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Graduate and Professional School Expo

**GRADUATE AND
PROFESSIONAL
SCHOOL EXPO**

When: Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Where: Ohio Union Archie Griffin Ballroom

Time: 12–4:30 p.m.

If your students are considering graduate or professional school or simply exploring their graduate options, the Graduate and Professional Expo on October 21 at the Ohio Union is a great opportunity. Students can meet with admissions representatives and gain information tailored to their specific questions from over 110 graduate programs from around the country—and right here at Ohio State! Individuals representing a diverse group of graduate and professional school programs will be on hand to answer student questions about their next steps after graduation and help students learn how to successfully apply to graduate school.

Two panels on graduate school admissions will also be offered. At 11 a.m. a panel of current graduate students will be discussing their graduate school experiences. Students attending the 1 p.m. panel will get to discuss their questions with graduate faculty members. For more information, and to direct your students to RSVP for a chance to win an Apple Watch, visit <http://go.osu.edu/GradExpoRSVP>.

The Academic Job Search

Student Life Career Counseling and Support Services (CCSS) together with the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching (UCAT) developed a series of workshops for the fall, (<http://ucat.osu.edu/ucat-events/events-on-teaching>), to assist PhD students get ready to apply for faculty positions in October/November. The process of going on the academic job market requires planning ahead of time. CCSS provides assistance with many aspects of the academic job search, including preparing vitas and credentials, learning how to ace interviews and how to negotiate for things your students may need. UCAT offers consultation concerning teaching statements and portfolios. Encourage your students to register for the workshops, visit CCSS resources, <http://go.osu.edu/gradjobresources>, on-line and/or make an appointment with a career counselor to discuss the academic job search.



University Building

Informational Interview #2: Computer Animation

CCSS recently completed their second informational interview with an Ohio State alumnus. We interviewed a former architecture student, John McNeal, who has leveraged his education and skills gained in architecture into owning his own computer animation studio. The interview can be found at <http://www.ccss.osu.edu/undergraduates/explore-careers/learn-from-alumni/>.

The interviewee was formerly unknown to the CCSS staff and was tracked down using the LinkedIn alumni connections tool. The alumni connections tool allows LinkedIn users to search Ohio State alumni on the site, based on their degree focus, the companies they work for and even the cities where they work.



John McNeal

Resources for the re-deciding student

It's midterm time and many students are facing fears and concerns about their future. As they dive further into majors, what they thought their major would be is often challenged by reality. When they begin to explore other potential paths it's important for students to know the resources available to them.

As students work on finding their career path CCSS provides a safe environment for them to be open about these fears. Here they can challenge their preconceived notions about their future and be accepted if the future isn't what they had planned. CCSS works with students of all ranks and all majors as they look to confirm their choices, re-inforce their plans or look for a better fit. We offer hour long scheduled appointments and hold half hour first come first serve walk-in appointments Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 1-3 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday from 9-11 a.m.

Faculty and Graduate students are great resources for students to help students "reality test" their ideas and find out what it's really like in a field. Faculty have seen many students graduate and move into the working world. And Graduate Students have recent experiences and recent classmates that can help students see the full picture. The more you encourage students to reality test their ideas about their major and career path the more clear their path may become.

Two great resources from University Exploration can assist students as they try to get a clear picture of majors. The first, Senior Bank, <http://exploration.osu.edu/current-students/senior-bank>, provides students with a list of current seniors who are willing to candidly discuss their majors. The second, What can I do with a major in...., <http://exploration.osu.edu/current-students/what-can-i-do-with-a-major-in>, gives students a picture of their opportunities after graduation and the transferable skillsets they will build.



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