Job Search Timeline

Master’s Degree Student in a One-Year Program

Fall/Winter Quarter

- Create or update your resume or CV as soon as possible and be sure to customize it to fit differing industries or job opportunities
- Register with Beaver Careers to gain access to OSU’s on-line job posting platform, general positions, and on-campus recruiting positions
- Get your resume or CV reviewed during Drop-In Hours, Monday–Thursday, 1–4pm
- Check the Career Development Center Calendar for employer presentations, seminars, and career panels
  - Attend the Fall Career Fair (October) and the Winter Career Fair (February)
- Begin researching organizations where you might want to apply
- Conduct Informational Interviews to learn about your field from people in the field and to add to your professional network
- Begin applying for jobs (depending on industry recruiting cycle)
- Set up a mock (practice) interview with a career counselor to help refine your interviewing skills and comfort level
- Join professional associations associated with your field
- Begin networking with family, friends, and colleagues

Spring Quarter

- Continue researching opportunities and organizations and continue applying for jobs – for some fields, you may only be starting the job search process in the spring
- Remember to update your resume/CV and job search materials and have them checked (or re-checked) by a counselor
- If you are having trouble identifying positions that interest you, set up a meeting with a career counselor to discuss your job search
- Schedule additional mock (practice) interviews with a counselor or practice them virtually with InterviewStream as necessary (find out more about InterviewStream on the Career Services website)
- Continue to attend company presentations, career panels, career fairs, and seminars
- Continue networking with family, friends, and colleagues