

Career Development Workshops

Workshops are designed to fit within a 40-60 minute timeframe unless otherwise noted.

Custom workshops are available upon request.

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Recommended Workshops for Freshmen and Sophomores

Get to Know the CPPD

Highlights (15 minutes)

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Interviewing 101

It's totally normal to feel nervous or anxious about an upcoming LifeWorks or internship interview, but learning about what to expect and how to best present yourself can help you manage that anxiety productively. This interactive workshop teaches students what to expect in the interview process, how to best prepare for interviews, and how to best structure answers to interview questions. Students will leave this workshop feeling more confident and prepared for whatever their upcoming interview throws their way.

NACE Career Readiness Competencies: Career & Self Development, Professionalism, Communication

Marketing Your Liberal Arts Major

Don't let the question "What are you going to do with *that* major?" haunt you. In fact, the critical thinking and communication skills developed in humanities majors are highly desired by both employers and graduate programs. This workshop breaks down the misconception that major equals career and teaches students how to make their academic experience relevant to any employer.

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Networking 101

Many students envision networking as standing in a room full of strangers and having to talk about why someone should hire them. This workshop breaks down that misconception, emphasizing the relational component of networking and identifying opportunities to expand the depth and breadth of students' connections. Students will learn how to use their existing relationships to grow their professional network and build social capital while they're in college.

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Resume 101

Many college students believe they don't need to worry about resumes or cover letters until senior year, but developing these professional communication tools can help students advance in their LifeWorks jobs, secure summer jobs or internships, and track the knowledge and skills they're developing in college. This interactive workshop introduces students to the basics of resumes writing, such as what to include, how to format, and how to use resumes and cover letters to accomplish their college and career goals.

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Starting Your Berry Story

Designed to expand upon the "Your Berry Experience" lesson plans in BCC 100, this workshop applies narrative life design principles to teach students why their story matters and how to craft life and career stories that will resonate with others. Through this workshop, students will learn how the stories they create can shape their college and career experiences. They will also learn how to document their experiences so that as they progress in their college journey, they can more easily recognize how they've grown.

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Recommended Workshops for Juniors and Seniors

Beyond the Bubble: Telling Your Berry Story

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Effective Team Communication

Knowing how to work effectively with a team is one of the top skills employers value. This workshop applies principles of group communication and decision-making to teach students how to communicate with other team members when working together for a common goal. Topics covered include models for group decision-making, how to practice active listening, and how to reduce ambiguity for clear, concise communication.

NACE Career Readiness Competencies: Teamwork, Communication, Leadership, Professionalism

Internship Success

Securing an internship can feel like entering uncharted territory for students. This workshop demystifies the internship process, including the difference between paid internships and internships for academic credit, how to find available internships, best practices for getting hired as an intern, and tips for navigating the workplace as an intern.

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Leveraging LinkedIn

LinkedIn has become an essential career development and job search tool. In fact, 95% of recruiters and hiring managers reporting that they use LinkedIn to find or research job candidates (Forbes, 2023). This workshop teaches students how to use LinkedIn to accomplish their professional goals, including how to set up your account, best practices for making connections, and how to leverage LinkedIn for your job search.

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Redefining Professionalism

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, workplaces have been responding to pressure for more human connection, employee support, and DEIB initiatives (Harvard Business Review, 2023). Designed for upperclassmen preparing to enter the job market, this workshop explores how professionalism is being redefined post-pandemic, including how to navigate remote or hybrid work, prioritize well-being in the workplace, and identify employers with a strong commitment to DEIB.

NACE Career Readiness Competencies: Professionalism, Equity and Inclusion, Career & Self Development

Your Next Chapter: Developing Post-Graduation Plans

Faced with the prospect of a looming graduation date, senior year can feel exciting, scary, or a combination of both. This workshop applies life design principles to normalize non-linear career paths and develop students' confidence in their ability to adapt to life after graduation. Through activities and group discussion, students will learn how to make space for their complex feelings about being a college senior while identifying tangible steps they can take to plan for the next chapter of their life story.

NACE Career Readiness Competencies: Career & Self Development, Communication, Critical Thinking

Your Next Chapter: Graduate School

Navigating the graduate school search and application process can seem daunting. This interactive workshop explores the process of finding the right graduate program for students' interests and goals, how to write a compelling personal statement or statement of purpose for their application, how to find funding opportunities, and how to use resources like faculty mentors and the career development team in their graduate school application process.

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Your Next Chapter: Job Search

Searching for potential career opportunities doesn't begin and end online. In fact, 75% of jobs are never publicized; they're often filled by referrals or internal candidates (Washington Post, 2023). This workshop teaches students how to navigate both the hidden job market and how to find positions that are posted and publicized so they can maximize their opportunities to find the right position for their career goals.

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How to Give and Receive Feedback

Understanding how to give and receive helpful feedback is an important skill for supervisors, leaders, and team members to develop. Grounded in principles of team communication and conflict resolution, this workshop covers how to provide both positive and critical feedback that helps your team recognize and articulate their skills, strengths and accomplishments.

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