

# TOP 10 CAREER TIPS FOR NEW CLARK SCHOOL STUDENTS

## AFTER NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

**1.** Attend career-building workshops virtually. Peer and staff career advisors lead interactive sessions on these topics throughout the semesters. View the schedule of upcoming workshops on our website at <a href="http://go.umd.edu/engworkshop">http://go.umd.edu/engworkshop</a>.

Find an Internship (or Co-op)
LinkedIn 101: Create an Account
Resume Writing
Cover Letters & Professional Correspondence

Career Fair Preparation
Interview Tips
Networking & Other Job Search Strategies
Job Offers and Salary Negotiation

- **2. Explore our website.** Visit <a href="http://go.umd.edu/engjstips">http://go.umd.edu/engjstips</a> to view and download the handouts we use in the workshops.
- **3. Update (or create) a resume.** Attend a virtual workshop or review the Resume Writing handout located in the link above for revision tips.
- **4. Follow us @UMDCareerENGR** for more career advice!







## ONCE THE SEMESTER BEGINS

**5.** Have your resume critiqued. Once you've created your resume, you have three options to get a critique. After the critique, you will be given full access to the Careers4Engineers database.

#### Three Options for Online Resume Critiques—Choose ONE!

- 1. Visit go.umd.edu/ClarkCareers for a drop in critique. Available Mon.-Fri. from 1-4 pm EST.
  - 2. Send your resume to CareerEngr@umd.edu to be matched with an adviser.
    - 3. Upload your resume in Careers4Engineers
- **6. Set up your** <u>Careers4Engineers/Careers4Terps</u> account. Use this portal to search and apply for internships and jobs with employers that are looking to hire students. Landing at least one internship or co-op as a student will set you on a course towards a great entry level job once you graduate.
- **7.** Meet employers virtually to build your professional network and learn about possible career paths or internship opportunities. On our website, you can go to *Students* → *Career Fairs* and *Events* sections for dates and details. Also, look out for the weekly Career Engineer email to learn about upcoming events.

## More Career Tips for New Clark School Students

**8. Get involved!** Whether you gain hands-on engineering experience you can put on your resume or you just want to meet people with similar interests, there are plenty of student organizations and competition teams on campus. Here are a few examples of Clark School chapters:

Competition Groups and Clubs	Contact Info
AIChE's Chem-E Car Competition	chemecar.umd@gmail.com
Concrete Canoe	cnccc@asce.org
Cybersecurity Club	president@csec.umiacs.umd.edu
Robotics@Maryland	team@ram.umd.edu
Solar Decathlon	http://2017.solarteam.org
Terps Racing	terpsracing@eng.umd.edu
Terrapin Hackers	
UMD Hyperloop	
Student Societies/Professional Organizations	
Alpha Omega Epsilon, Engineering Sorority	upsilonpres@gmail.com
American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)	marylandaiaa@gmail.com
American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)	umdasce@gmail.com
American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)	asme.umdchapter@gmail.com
Black Engineers Society (BES)	bes.president@gmail.com
Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES)	bmesumdcp@gmail.com
Engineering Student Council (ESC)	
Engineers Without Borders (EWB)	ewbumcp@gmail.com
Engineering World Health (EWH)	
Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE)	
Society of Asian Scientists & Engineers (SASE)	
Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SPFE)	
Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE)	
Society of Women Engineers (SWE)	SWE.umd@gmail.com
Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honors Society (TBP)	
Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity	

## **9.** Participate in cutting edge research...

- with faculty of the A. James Clark School of Engineering: https://eng.umd.edu/research-opportunities
- on campus and beyond via the Maryland Center for Undergraduate Research: http://ugresearch.umd.edu/
- funded with prestigious national scholarships: <a href="http://scholarships.umd.edu/">http://scholarships.umd.edu/</a>

Visit our office for additional help with career planning. We are happy to answer general questions or to meet individually to discuss your job search, interview preparation, salary and job offers, or post-graduation plans.

It is never too early to explore possible career paths, seek to gain experience, and start building your network.