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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS - INTERNATIONAL EMPLOYEE FRIENDLY EMPLOYERS

Students should use multiple platforms when searching for an internship and job. Review the resources below that other international students have found helpful.

Handshake

Use the Visa Holder filters in the Jobs & Internships Search and when registering for career fairs in Handshake to identify employers who are willing to provide job visa sponsorship or accepting international students using work authorizations such as OPT and CPT. Handshake is managed by the University Career Center.

GoinGlobal

GoinGlobal is an online tool accessible through Handshake (on the Home Page, cursor down to "Access Online Tools" the bottom of the page; under "jump to," click on GOINGLOBAL). It has an H-1B Info section where international students can search for US employers who have sponsored employees for H-1B employment visas. Information comes from the US Department of Labor and reflects data from the previous fiscal year (October – September). In addition, GoinGlobal has these additional helpful tools:

- City guides for those searching for employment in the US
- Country guides for those searching for employment overseas
- Finding H1B Jobs, GoinGlobal's H-1B Plus provides access to an extensive and detailed database of U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) H-1B records from 2009 to-date.

Tips on maximizing use of H-1B Info section

- The H-1B Info section allows you to search for H-1B sponsoring employers by metropolitan areas and states. It lists the company name as well as the number of petitions submitted.
- To explore the specifics of the sponsored positions, click the H-1B Info link on the horizontal bar, then click on the H-1B PLUS search and enter the company's name. Click on Details to find the job titles, occupation areas, and wages.

- The advanced search allows you to search for companies:
    - in industries of your focus
    - that have sponsored for job titles of your interest

myvisajobs.com

myvisajobs.com is another resource to see which employers have petitioned for H-1Bs in the past. This site also shows employers who have sponsored employees for Permanent Residency (Green Card).

OPT, H-1B Workshops and Career Programming

The University of Maryland offers periodic OPT and H-1B workshops and an International Student Career Series. Monitor the ISSS e-newsletter and the University Career Center Events Calendar to stay on top of them. Take the initiative to learn as much as you can about the employment visa options and regulations so you are familiar with the process and can communicate that to a potential employer.

Review more resources, International Students - Job & Internship Search Strategies.