

Tamiah Assevero

PDC Critique

March 23, 2023

The Career Q & A Workshop was held on Zoom @1pm-2pm on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. This workshop was about having the space to ask any questions we had about career planning after we graduate. The workshop also covered how to navigate certain areas of Handshake such as setting appointments and how to find jobs that fit our major and plan. Students had the opportunity to ask different questions to the PDC department while the department also asked us questions to help better understand what students may need to know. This workshop allowed students to get information that could help us when starting to apply for jobs in our career. It also gave students insight on what to look for when doing the job search and resources that could help us prepare for the job.

I learned that employers can determine if you are a good fit based on social media and to limit what is put on there for that reason. I also learned that the PDC can help connect students to different people that can help us network within our desired career. Lastly, I learned that LinkedIn is another good source to have to search for jobs along with Handshake to make yourself known. This was great information to learn because this helped me become more knowledgeable about the job search and how to effectively use this knowledge to get into the career. It was also helpful to know what how the PDC department can help with the different careers that students want to go in including entrepreneurship.

This seminar enhanced my knowledge on the general overview of the career and job choosing based on the degree. It also helped me understand what resources are at my disposal that I can use to find a job that best suits my career path. Multiple people asked about how to make themselves stand out during an interview which the department went in depth to highlight your skills and how to tie these skills to the job. This seminar gave me the confidence that I need to start my job search and how to make myself stand out. This seminar also helped me gain knowledge on what employers look for, how they determine if someone is a good fit, and why certain skills are important to have.

I would tell other students that this workshop is worth going to because the instructors explain the resources that we have and how to use them effectively. The instructors answered every question that a student had and went in-depth with each question. This workshop is great for students who have questions about their specific major and how to apply what they learned into the field. Student should attend this workshop if they don't know what to expect when searching for jobs in there chosen career choice. It was very helpful to the students since the information was helpful to all students no matter the career or major because each answer the department gave could fit to everyone. The instructors made the students feel comfortable to ask their questions and was attentive to each answer they gave.