As you complete the Career Preparation Modules and related readings, activities and assignments you have created a Job Search Strategy that is unique to you. Use the following template to document your job search plan at this point in time. As you begin to implement your plan your goals, motivations, job interests, etc. may change. Therefore continue to use this template as way to keep yourself accountable and focused to find a job, employer and career that best fits your needs and is unique to you.

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List your career goals. - Module 2 - Using the SMART goal method develop your list of 3-4 Career goals.

Insert your 3-4 SMART career goals here.

### Goal: I want to improve my coding skills
Specific: I want to work on C++
Measurable: i will solve questions on Leetcode. Succeeding at this goal will mean being able to solve a question within 30 min.
Attainable: This goal is attainable if I practice daily for 3 hours.
Relevant: This will help me in my coding interviews.
Time bound: I want to complete this goal within 3 months; before my coding  I interviews.

### Goal: I want to improve my public speaking skills
Specific: I want to improve my presentation skills and vocabulary.

Measurable: I will have achieved this goal if i can give a 5 minute speech in front of a large audience

Attainable: This goal is attainable if I practice speaking daily and learning 5 new words daily.

Relevant: This goal is very relevant as it would help me speak confidently in my interviews and help me better express myself.

Time bound: I want to complete this goal within 2 months.

### Goal: I want to work at as an Intern at a Software Development Company
Specific: I want work at a Software Company in Boston.

Measurable: I want to send out 100 applications in the next 3 months and hope to land 10 interviews.

Attainable: I want a summer internship

Relevant: This would help me get some much-needed industrial experience.

Time bound: I wat to get a co-op for summer.

List your experience, skills and strengths. Reflect back on the readings and activities you completed in Module 4 – Build Your Brand.  Create a list of your top 5 skills and your top 5 strengths. Include a brief example for at least 3 of your top skills, i.e., how you demonstrated the skill, and a brief example for at least 3 of your top 3 strengths, i.e., how you demonstrated the strength.

Insert your top 3 skills with your examples and your top 3 strengths with examples here.

Skills:
1. **Web Development**: Created 2 end to end web applications during my internship at Sabre. My personal webpage is also a testament to my web development skills.
2. **Data Strcutures and Algorithms:** I have solved over 120+ leedcode questions.
3. **Python:** Majority of my Machine learning projects have been in python, most of which can be found on my Github page.

Strengths:
1. **Time management**: Balanced coursework, and internship at Dell and Apple Developers Group club related work with good grades, a successful semester for the club and managed to achieve my deliverables at my internship.
2. **Working under Pressure**: I won second place at a company organized Intern Hackathon at Sabre.
3. **Collaboration and Team Work:**  I was in the core team of the Apple Developers Group and we had a lot of success due to our collaborative efforts for a common goal. I have also worked on several group projects.

Create your list of companies you'd like to work for from the list you created in Module 3 – Researching the Job Market. Modify the list to include 6-8 companies that interest you the most. This is an opportunity to not only list the companies but also include comments why you would like to work there.

Insert your list of the top 6-8 companies and why you would like to work for them here

1. **Sabre Travel and Tech, Software Development Intern**: I have past experience here; Great work culture, love the travel domain, above average pay
2. **Amadeus, Software Development Intern:** Have relevant domain knowledge (travel) and they are industry leaders in the field, above average pay
3. **Mathworks,GED Intern**: Pioneerings in technology; great work culture; good learning opportunity, above average pay
4. **Amazon, Software Develement Engineer Intern**: Tailored for learning; opportunity to work with best in the business; industry leaders in software, above average pay
5. **Netflix, Software Development Intern:** Great work culture; Familiar tech stack; I have interest in the entertainment domain; huge learning opportunity, above average pay
6. **Tesla:** Great work culture, industry leaders in software for automobiles; great learning opportunity; flexible work locations, above average pay

Create a "to-do" list prior to starting your job search. An effective "to do" list is not just a list of things that you plan to do. Instead it is a list of things you plan to do that includes prioritization and due dates.

Some examples of action items include: researching your top 5 companies of interest to learn more about what they do and their company culture. Or a list of the top 5 job descriptions you plan to research. Or creating a list of your professional references and contacting these references to request permission to use their name and contact information should an employer request your list.

Create a "to do" list of the top 5 items that you plan to accomplish as you start your job search. Set realistic deadlines when each item should be finished so that you are accountable and more likely to complete all tasks. After writing down your "to-do list" items, add the items into a calendar or schedule.

Insert your "to-do" list below. Include realistic dates when you plan to complete each task. Note that this is your "to-do" list at this point in time. As your complete the tasks you will continue to add more to your list.

TODO

| Deadline | Task |
|---|---|
| 12th Dec. | Research about Job Openings and essential prerequisites. |
| 15th Dec. | Shortlist 10 available positions |
| 20th Dec. | Polish resume and fine tune it for each open position |
| 22nd Dec. | Send out the applications |
| 26th Dec. | Research about interview process |
| 10th Jan | Learn about interviews and interview preperation |
| 13th Jan | Reach out to Career Advisors for a regular sync up and to get insights |
| 15th Jan | Research about 15 openings |

What is your professional brand?  Refer to Module 4 – Build Your Brand – the module in which you created your Professional Introduction (Elevator Pitch).

Include your written Professional Introduction (Elevator Pitch) here.

Hey, I'm Mrigank Khandelwal, a graduate student at Northeastern University, pursuing my masters in Computer Science. I resonate with your organization's zeal to be an industry leader in the realm of software and commitment to pioneering quality software products while maintaining an elite ethical standard. I would love to intern at your company, and it would be great if you could direct me to the right point of contact for this.

I will drop an email at the earliest and keep in touch. Thank you so much for your time. Have a great day!

Participate in networking opportunities - Module 5 – Building Your Network. Review the sites for On campus and Off campus Networking events. (Websites included in the module) Check out different Networking events and identify the ones you are interested to attend. Register for the event!

Insert a list of 3-4 Networking events you plan to attend here

1. GraphDB meetup in Boston
2.  Technical Meetup Group hosted by IBM - 2023 Accomplishments and 2024 Plan
3. Exploring AI Opportunities part 2
4. Hybrid Weekly Hack Night (Code for Boston)