

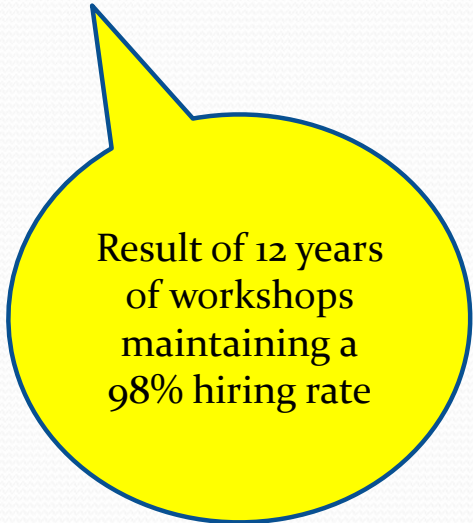


MSCS Career Center

MGT 5341 Career Strategies for Information Technology

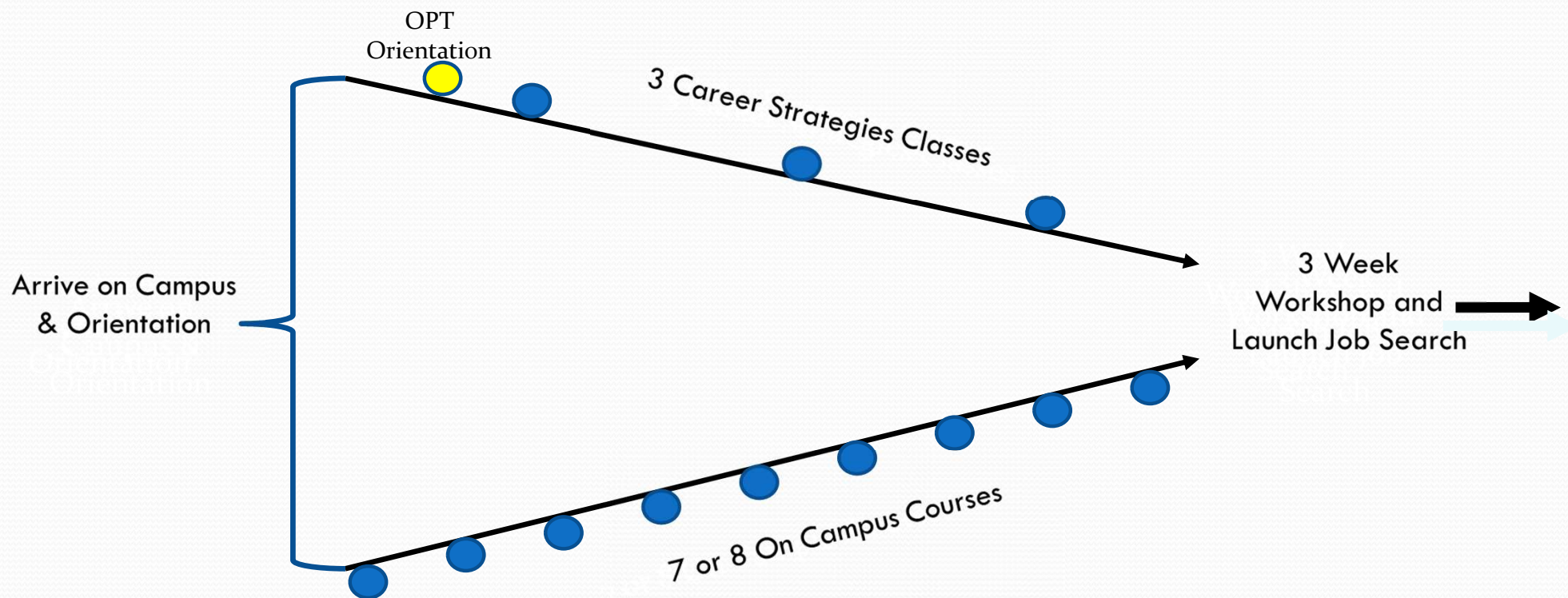
MGT 5341: Career Strategies for Information Technology

- Your pathway to the U.S. job market
- Excellent branding with companies – they know what to expect
- 3 meetings throughout your on-campus time
 - Welcome and Helpful Tips
 - Resume preparation process
 - Workshop Preview and Prep
- One hour in length starting at 3:45 on TEAMS
- On Thursday week 1 or 3 of block
- 1 OPT overview meeting

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Result of 12 years
of workshops
maintaining a
98% hiring rate

Parallel Paths To Prepare you





3-week Career Strategies Course

- Pre-requisite: You must have your resumé completed before the course starts
- Career Strategies is **mandatory** for (98---- or 61---- students).
- Permanent U.S. Resident
 - (e.g. Green Card, U.S. Citizen, student ID 10---- or 11----),
 - it is highly recommended that you attend.

Learn about US Job Market –

We guide you step by step

- **Technical**

- Past work Experience
- Plus what you will gain in your MSCS Program
- How to take technical assessments

- **Interpersonal Skills**

- Key Difference = Personal Connection
- Advanced Interview Techniques for Focused Answers (STAR's)
- Will they want to work with you? Do you fit in? (Workshop teaches how to do this)
- Decision Making
- Clear Thinking
- Friendliness
- Passion for learning
- A professional presence



Also Learn:

- American Business Culture and what it takes to present yourself as a Professional Candidate
- Increase your confidence with various skills
 - How to look for positions
 - How to talk about compensation
 - How to interview well so you obtain your CPT position quickly
 - Conversational English

How to get good reference from Professor


- Achieve a good grade
- Come to classroom 5-10 minutes before each session starts
- Ask questions in class to clarify points or to go more deeply into topics
- Volunteer to answer Professor's questions
- Turn off your mobile devices when in classroom
- Only do course work when class is in session (e.g. on laptop)
- After course is over, send Professor email requesting, "Will you be a reference for me when I start job search?"

F1 Visa: Earliest date you may start employment

- 8 months after your program start date listed on page 1 of your Form I-20
 - Or the Monday after Career Strategies Course is complete
 - Whichever is later
- Check your own I-20 to be sure.
- You also **must** successfully complete the 3-week Career Strategies Course (graded PASS/FAIL)

How to Prepare for a Great Job

- Get good grades
- Get a good reference from at least two of your professors
- Speak English 3-4 hours every day
- Start job search during **week #3** of Career Strategies Course



No Early
Job Search



Recruiter Quote: F1 Students Communication Skills

The overall experience interviewing MIU students has been very positive, though there are times where language does become an issue during phone call screenings. *This is not because they do not know the English language well enough*, but it is typically accent/pronunciation related and I will need to ask the student to talk slower and enunciate more effectively. They usually have no problem doing so. We are always very impressed with the email correspondence from students after conversations. I believe it could be helpful if during interview preparation that it was discussed with students to speak a little more slowly/concisely to insure that the interviewer was able to comprehend the student's answers. During email communication, the language students use is typically correct, concise and comprehensible.

Preview of MGT
5341 so you are as
prepared as
possible

