# **Application Workshop**

CV / cover letter writing / Online platforms

Yeah!

You nearly finished the course and now it's time to get started with your internship.



# Agenda

- 1. Overview Internship
- 2. Your application
  - a) CV
  - b) Cover letter
  - Lunch -
- 3. (Github)
- 4. LinkedIn



# 1. Overview Internship

- Start: 01.07.2019
- End for your internship within the course: 26.07.19
- No salary because it is part of the course
- Use the DCI contract (i´ll give it to you)
- If you get a job right away, you can skip the internship
- Keep us updated!!!



# **Options**

Part of the course / unpaid 01.07. - 26.07.2019

Want to do a longer internship?

Always possible:

Paid internship 01.07. - ??

1. Prolonging the voucher unpaid 01.07.2019 - ???

2. MAG (Maßnahme beim Arbeitgeber) unpaid Up to 6 weeks

3. Paid internship Minimum salary (1.592,90 Euro) Time is flexible

In the course

After the course



# part of the course: 4 weeks internship

- 01.07. 26.07.2019 (4 weeks)
- Unpaid because its a mandatory internship (part of the course)
- Contract: DCI, Student, Company
  - Link:
     https://docs.google.com/document/d/IniDeGVNuwCd5Z
     VRHL7aFukHjCj-usZ3OimPKzxK6hqM/edit?usp=sharing



### **Internship longer than 4 weeks**

- 1. Prolonging the voucher
- > Timewise flexible
- Unpaid
- Contract: DCl, Student, Company
- I will get in touch with your Jobcenter Agent and kindly ask
- 2. After the course: MAG (Maßnahme beim Arbeitgeber)
- ➤ 6 Weeks
- unpaid
- Contract: Jobcenter & Company
- You get in touch with your Jobcenter Agent and kindly ask
- him/her

# **Paid Internship**

- Whenever you want Or after your unpaid internship
- Minimum salary (= approx. 1.592,90 Euro Brutto)
- Contract between student and company
- Communicate those 3 options that you have to the companies you can use that sheet:
   https://docs.google.com/document/d/lmFWEeNSXu\_ZqhJoxE7rOccXm-fn2TGV8JtP8WxjnntA/edit?usp=sharing



# You found a job?

And want to skip the internship?

Congratulations, start working:)

(of course you get your certificate - but without the internship)

Your new employer can also apply for an EGZ (Eingliederungszuschuss) at the Job Center in order to get a grant when he/she employs you.



# Certificate

- 1. You get a **preliminary certificate** from DCI when you finish class.
- 2. After you finished your internship you get your **final certificate.**
- -> please write Carl and ask him to send it to you

Don't worry!

You will get a certificate!

But: if you haven't done an internship, you get the certificate without the internship.

! To show your projects, your skills and what you know is much more important than the certificate!

# How to find an internship / job?

- Networking: go to conferences, meetups, hackathons and connect with people - personal contact is the most important
- Xing and LinkedIn
- Standard Application Process
- CV Sharing through DCI: we send your CV to our partner companies



# How to identify the perfect job?

- What are my strengths and why? (hard-skills, soft-skills)
- What am I interested in?
- What is important to you? (size of company, philosophy, product / concept, possibility to grow)
- What are my weaknesses?
- What problems am I able to solve?



### **Platforms**

- https://www.stepstone.de
- https://www.monster.com/
- http://berlinstartupjobs.com/
- https://de.indeed.com
- https://www.glassdoor.de/
- http://www.jobsinberlin.eu/
- http://www.germanystartupjobs .com/
- https://wearedevelopers.com
- https://www.talent.io/
- https://angel.co/

- https://www.get-in-it.de/
- linkedin.com
- > Xing.com
- https://www.wearedevelopers .com/devjobs/
- https://www.taledo.com/
- https://truffls.de/en/
- https://www.moberries.com/

### For Web Developers:

- stackoverflow.com
- https://www.honeypot.io



# Which companies have you visited during the orientation course?

- 1. A
- 2. B
- 3. C

Did you like any company?

Apply for an internship (we have the contact details)



### CV

- Use clear, bright colors (max. 2 different ones)
- Keep it short and focused (1 to 2 pages max.) don´t overload
- Structure! (Decide for one, same font size, same spacing)
- Latest first: DCI & Development first you are applying as a WebDev
- Min. 1/3 about Web Development the most relevant!
- Give references: Github / Website/ Portfolio
- Link your LinkedIn / Xing profile
- Unique File name: lastname\_firstname\_CV.pdf



# **CV - Content**

### **Education**

7/2018 - now Digital Career Institute gGmbH, Berlin 1-year intensive training in Web Development 1/2018 - 6/2018 Language course (German B1), Berlin ...

### **Technical Skills**

HTML/CSS/JavaScript

Bootstrap / React

MongoDB ...

### Languages

English - Mother tongue German - fluent (B2)



Hobbies / Interests / Soft-skills / Other activities ...

### **About Me**

Fast learning Web Developer who is passionate about clean code and solving difficult problems. Always up to date about new Technologies and having an eye for modern and clear designs.

### **Experiences**

11/2018 - now www.node-friends.com

- class project at DCI

- we used mainly Node.JS, Express and MongoDB

- we used Kanban methodology

8/2016 - 10/2018 ...

### **Contact Details / Portfolio**

Address: ... (zip code and city is enough)

E-Mail: ... Phone: ...

LinkedIn: [link] Github: [link] Website: ...

# **Technical skills**

- Show them off in a structured way they are your most important skills
- Differentiate between the types and go deeper into detail
- Examples:

#### **Development Experience**

HTML, CSS, JAVASCRIPT — Template engines, sass, ES6

**IDE**— Sublime Text, VS Code

DB— LocalStorage, MongoDB, MySQL

Frontend Frameworks — Bootstrap 4, Material CSS, React, Material UI etc. etc. (add some more)

Backend Frameworks—Express, Passport, JsonWebToken

**Tools**— Git Branch/PullRequest workflow, Webpack/Gulp, Trello & Project Management etc. etc. (add some more)

OS — Linux, Windows

CSS3/HTML5/Bootstra

JavaScript/Es6/JQUERY

ReactJs

Node.js/Express

MySQL/MongoDB

Task runner: Webpack/

Gulp.is



# CV - Infos you don't need to give

- Age
- Place of birth / nationality
- Full address
- Religion
- Sex
- Marital status
- Not necessary: photo (If you want to give a photo, use a professional one that shows your face!)





#### **ABOUT ME**

Date of Birth: January 1, 1999

#### CONTACT





kyleryan@mail.com

#### INTERESTS

Online Games Coffee

#### HOBBIES







# KYLE RYAN

#### CAREER OBJECTIVE

To be able to work for an encouraging and stable company that will assist me in developing, improving, and obtaining the necessary skills in order to become the best engineer possible.

TECHNICAL

PROFICIENCIES:

Teamwork, Verbal Communication,

(REST/SOAP), Multimedia Content

JavaScript, JQuery, HTML, HTML5, C5S,

Interface Design (UI), Security Principles,

Object-Oriented Design, Web Services

CSS3, Web Programming Skills, E-Commerce,

#### **EDUCATION**

2020 2018

**BACHELOR DEGREE** Bachelor of Science in Information Technology University of Chicago

Certifications: Microsoft Certified Professional Developer (MCPD) | Microsoft Certified Solutions Developer (MCSD)

DIPLOMA

2018

#### Information Management 2016 University of Chicago

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### WEB DEVELOPER

2020 to present | INNER Company - Sometown, NC

Key contributor to startup company's fast evolution from selling one niche product to

- . Led development of robust version upgrade to ABC Works 2.0. Engineered software release for speed and
- A 25% increase in incremental revenues (multimillion-dollar growth) within one year.
- . Award for "Bact Financial Services Platform" at Tuch Innovators 2018 international conference
- . Top-tier coverage in 50+ media outlets this year (traditional, social media and tech-specific news sites).

#### WEB PROGRAMMER

- 2018 to 2019 | DYL Company
- Sometown, NC
- Collaborated in a team-focused
- environment providing software solutions to diverse industry clients.
- . Helped build and enhance highly available, scalable, real-time and secure systems used by customers. worldwide
- · Completed eight major projects, working closely with agile development team to develop, test and maintain Web- and desktop-based software applications.
- Adhered to high-quality development standards while delivering solutions on-time and on-budget.

#### EXPERTISE

CMS Customizations and plugin development	••••
Widget development	
Custom CMS themes	••••
Framework knowledge	****
Clobal Project Management	

#### SKILLS

Attentive listening and effective oral communication skills	••••
Great at Problem Solving	
Good Leadership Skills	
Critical Thinker	
Ability to quickly create and apply ideas and solutions	••••



### NICHOLAS BROWN

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#### Profile

Advanced web developer with 10 years of experience in structuring, developing and implementing interactive websites. Innovative use of technology and SEO to drive traffic and engage users. Able to complete projects efficiently and satisfy customers with attractive, user-friendly websites.

#### Areas of Expertise

- · Advanced programming and design skills
- · Web content management
- · Landing page development
- SEO

- · Project management · Strong collaborative skills
- · Website optimization
- · Excellent problem solving skills

#### Work Experience

#### Senior Web Developer

NorthWest Website Development — Grand Rapids, CA

Jul 2009 to Current

- · Meet with clients to gather requirements, design sites, and outline schedules.
- Manage web projects with 2-5 developers.
- · Develop concepts, control project flow, and ensure deliverable milestones are met.

#### Web Developer

Jul 2005 to Feb 2009

STOMP Media - Grand Rapids, MI

- · Performed website design and development for clients in diverse fields such as medical devices, educational software, and entertainment,
- · Specialized in sites for new local artists, including elements such as tour calendars, ticket shop carts, music streaming, and news updates.
- · Worked closely with senior developer and learned advanced project management skills.

#### Contract Web Developer

Jul 2005 to Feb 2009

#### Self-Employed - Grand Rapids, TN

- · Designed websites for clients on a contract basis.
- · Developed project scope and created concepts.
- · Maintained schedules and assured on-time delivery of content.

#### Education

#### Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

2003

#### University of Tennessee - Memphis, TN

- · Graduated Summa Cum Laude.
- · Coursework in Programming, Data Structures, and Computer Architecture.

#### Technical Skills

JAVA, HTML, SQL, ASP, PHP, CSS Wordpress, Blogger, Tumbler, Twitter, Facebook Dreamweaver, Photoshop, ColdFusion

#### Frances B. Frist

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#### EDUCATION

Princeton University, Princeton, NI A.B. from Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs Certificate in Global Health and Health Policy

June 2013

· Cumulative GPA: 3.17; Departmental: 3.32

- · Senior Thesis: Lessons on developing a highly qualified teacher workforce in state pre-kindergarten programs
- · Junior Independent Research: Community initiatives to support HIV-positive women in South Africa
- · Allen Macy Dulles '51 Award for the senior who best exemplifies Princeton's motto of "in the Nation's Service and the Service of All Nations"

#### EXPERIENCE

Vice President, Princeton Engineers Without Borders, Princeton, NI

February 2011-Present

Local chapter of national humanitarian organization that implements sustainable engineering projects in developing countries Communicate with university administration and national Engineers Without Borders staff to ensure the financial backing and technical support necessary for project approval

- · Represent chapter in promotional events and organize regular chapter meetings on campus
- Planned three-week service project in Summer 2011 to Huamanzaña, Peru, to install solar energy power
- · Designed and conducted accompanying instructional and educational program to teach Peruvian villagers about basic physics, the benefits of sustainable technology, and how to operate and maintain new technology
- · Fund-raised to meet goal of over \$15,000 and created 60-page collaborative report for Peru project

Intern, Mothers-to-Mothers, Cape Town, South Africa

Summer 2012

Mentoring program offering peer education and support to HIV-positive pregnant woman and new mothers

- . Collaborated with a team of three to organize and formalize a 400-page training curriculum, creating a structure that would make the progression of the material clear and logical
- · Analyzed gaps in the curriculum and composed modules to fill those gaps to create a comprehensive training program

Intern, Medical Health Research Association-Maternal Infant Care, New York, NY Network of eight women's health centers in disadvantaged New York City communities Summer 2011

- . Conducted wait-time study on four clinics with three other interns, creating data collection tools, gathered data, and analyzed information on over 1,000 patients
- Identified bottlenecks in patient flow and sources of patient wait time, making recommendations to administrators of how to improve patient scheduling and general efficiency of clinics

Intern, National Teaching Academy, Washington, DC

Summer 2010

Start-up nonprofit that provides professional development program to talented urban teachers

- . Created an interview guide and online survey, interviewing 40 teachers and collecting 130 surveys
- · Synthesized research to identify critical issues, outline profiles of model teachers, suggest design structure for workshops, and propose strategies to cope with the challenges of urban schools

#### ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENT

Member, Princeton Varsity Women's Lacrosse Fall 2009-Present NJ Intercollegiate Athletes "2011 Woman of the Year" for leadership, service, academics, and athletics The Art Lane '34 Citizen Athlete Award for selfless contribution to sport and society United States National Lacrosse Team Member

June 2012 June 2011 June 2010

OTHER ACTIVITIES/SKILLS

Engaged in bi-weekly campus discussion on race through "Sustained Dialogue" Fall 2009-Spring 2010 Led 10 freshmen on a six-day outdoor orientation trip September 2010 & 2011 Tutored local immigrants in English as a volunteer in an ESL program Fall 2009 Fluency in French





### ROBERTA WILLIAMS



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### **DETAILS**

Date of Birth: 02.02.1985 Nationality: American

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Civil Engineering Structural Optimization
- Mining Stress Analysis
- Product Design
- Mechanical Engineering
- Drilling Geology
- Exploration
- Finite Element Analysis

#### SUMMARY

Industry expert in Structural Engineering with excellent understanding of Drilling and Exploration techniques, Geology, and mechanical equipment used in underground and open pit mining operations. Safety focused with analytical approach to using numerical simulations to predict the behavior of underground excavations.

- . Comprehensive knowledge of Finite Element Analysis techniques using a variety of software, as well as strong math and physics skills.
- Ensure smooth business operations by following projects from conceptualizing phase to completion, including system design, incorporation of customer needs, and technical

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

2000 - 2008 Fea Engineer

POWERTRAIN (FORMER INDUSTRIES INC.)

Developed structural finite element analysis(FEA) simulations and design optimizations. Managed file translations and drawings updates. Participated in product design on Honda projects. Developed solutions for FEA problems using variety of software applications. Organized structural FEA procedures for Ford flex plate group. Technical expert in stamping, mechanical, CAD and FEA issues. Developed new technologies in order to produce better, safer and less expensive products. Technical counselor on highly technical issues for the plants.

#### Accomplishments:

- . Helped with CAD and FEA quoting for a stamped valve cover for Company resulting in project work of over \$1M.
- Saved over \$200K in tooling rework through numerical simulations.
- Created FEA simulations in the prototype phase and saved \$70K.

#### 1995 - 2000 Product Engineer

PRODUCTS - CITY, STATE

Developed structural FEA simulations and design optimizations. Worked onsite in Detroit with Jeep Truck Engineering Group on Chrysler KJ 2002 program product design. (brought in jobs for the Company in value of over \$1M). Product Engineer tasked to follow up on a new product from its inception, going through subsequent CAD modifications, FEA simulations, to completion as a final product on the plant floor. Updated production plants with any changes for a specific product.

#### Accomplishments:

Secured over \$1M in project work for the company.

#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering University

Open Cast Mining and Quarrying - CESECO Mining School

# (Free) CV Templates

- https://www.canva.com
- https://lebenslauf.com/?sc\_oge=sem00ae84ec&gclid=EAlalQob ChMluK-76ouA4QIVyOF3Ch0Z8gFhEAAYASAAEgL55vD\_BwE
- https://www.cv-template.com/en
- https://www.hloom.com/resumes/
- https://www.livecareer.com
- Gimp
- Indesign



### CV

- Please triple check for mistakes!
  - → Send it to <u>graduates@digitalcareerinstitute.org</u> for checking

DCI will share your CV with partner companies. If you are not ok with this - please let me know!



# **Cover Letter**

- Necessary for each application
- Personalize it for each company (mass applications never work out)
- No enumerations or repeat of your CV
- ➤ Keep it short and focused (max. <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the page)
- > Arouse interest by giving only a few significant information

(You can get detailed in the job interview)



### Formal email forms

> important for your cover letter and in any kind of communication with companies

### **Beginning:**

- known person: Dear Mr./Ms. (name)
   Concern,"
  - "Mrs." and "Miss" = old-fashioned & refers to marital status (who cares?) > use shortest one
- Institution: "To Whom It May Concern," "Dear Hiring Manager"

### End:

- known person: Yours sincerely (if you know the name)
- Institution: Yours faithfully (without rewing the name)

Your Return Address City, State Zipcode Date

(4 SPACES)

Employer's/Hiring Manager's Name Title Company Address (2 SPACES)

Dear Mr. (or Ms.) Person's Last Name: (2 SPACES)

**First Paragraph (Why I'm Writing):** Provide your reason for the cover letter including the position title or type of work and the source from which you obtained the opening (CareerQuest, internet job board, friend, employment service). Be sure to arouse the employer's interest and include one tidbit about what you can offer the company (i.e. education experience, etc.).

Middle Paragraph(s) (How and Why I'm Right): Explain why you are interested in the position, the company, its products or services. Be sure to relate yourself to the company, proving that you a good match for the position. Focus on what you can do for the employer, not what the employer can do for you. You can also cite personal characteristics with ways you could use them on the job. Try not to repeat the same information the reader will find in the resume.

Final Paragraph (How to Me or What Steps I'll take to Contact You): Focus on action in the closing paragraph. Request an interview and thank the employer for their consideration. Provide contact information including your phone number and email address. Finally, close your letter with a statement or questions that will encourage a response. Be sure to mention your resume if it is enclosed.

(2 SPACES)
Sincerely.

(4 SPACES for handwritten signature)

(2 SPACES) Your typed name

### **Cover Letter - content**

### Introduction:

Refer to the Position you're applying for

Name your qualification

What 's your motivation and how can the company benefit from you?

### Middle part:

Don't repeat your CV

Only argue with the most persuasive and for <u>this</u> position relevant arguments

Give examples for your qualification / Justify it (experiences)



Why do you want to work exactly for this company?

# **Cover Letter - Tips**

### Last part:

Explain your possibilities (internship that is part of the course or full-time position)

Propose meeting them in a personal interview (express interest in meeting them)

Thank for consideration

- Use key-words you 'll be finding in the job description
- Visit the companies website and gather key words
- Make sure you understand their product / services
- What is their philosophy?



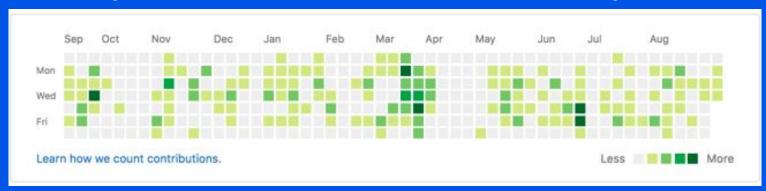
### **Cover Letter**

- > Be confident
  - Don t: "I hope to get invited..." (Conjunctive)
  - > Do: "I'm looking forward to hearing from you."
- Don 't set up theses without proving them
- Don 't repeat the content of your CV
- Always try to find out the name of the person it concerns
- > Add a head with the address, contact details, date and headline
- Unique File name: lastname\_firstname\_coverletter.pdf
- Send it together with the CV as a PDF with an e-mail
  - → Send it to <u>graduates@digitalcareerinstitute.org</u> for checking



# 3. Github

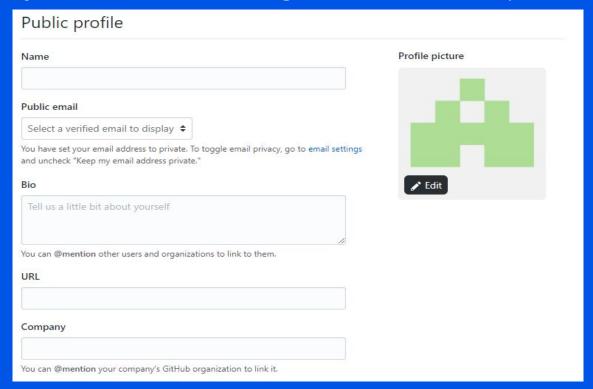
- What companies are most interested in is your code!
- Share your projects and code on GitHub
  - -> counts your contributions and shows how active you are



Keep it clean (review your code before committing)



- Be active (follow people / organisations / the DCI profile)
- Follow discussions in issues (you can learn how to work in open source projects collaborative -> good for the future)





# 5. LinkedIn

- Have a profile!
  - It's your digital CV and recruiters use it to find employees
- Self-Marketing
- Be active and give as many information as possible so the algorithm shows your profile more often
- Connect with recruiters / CTOs / HR-persons / colleagues / friends >200 people
- Keep profile updated!



# What to add

- Professional Photo + background picture (20 x more profile views and 9 x more requests)
- Customized headline (Avoid generic ones)
- Summary (About me / What are you looking for / what are your skills)
- Education

- Experiences
- Technical Skills
- References / Projects
- Github / Portfolio
- Languages
- Companies /
  Organizations you like
  (interests)



# **Summary**

- 3-5 short paragraphs
  give your work passions, key skills, unique qualifications and a
  list of the various industries you've had exposure to over the
  years
- Like short cover letter
- Be creative
- Prove by examples
- Add Github Link!
- Should be on LinkedIn, GitHub, your website



See some great examples here!

### Example of a summary (3-5 paragraphs on LinkedIn)

**Nachricht** 

Mehr ...

#### Hello World!

I've decided to change my career path and direction about a year and a half ago. I always liked computers, and self-development and improvement are important parts of my life. Learning to code has been so far very interesting, challenging, and frustrating, which means for me that I've made the right choice.

So far I worked on small projects that were part of the freeCodeCamp curriculum and the web development bootcamp curriculum I am participating in.

Ideally, I would like to find an internship in order to learn from professionals while being in a working environment, thus increasing the potential value I would bring to the company that would eventually hire me as a member of its' team.

Weniger anzeigen ^



### **Different example:**

### About me:

- Marketing Technologist with a hybrid background in sales & marketing
- Self-starter, problem solver, and strategist
- Always ready to take on the next challenge and make an impact
- Fluent in Chinese (Cantonese & Mandarin) read, write, speak
- I am a vegetarian (or what others called me carbetarian)

### Specialties:

B2B Marketing, Email Marketing, Marketing Campaigns, Marketing Operations, Demand Generation, Marketing Automation, Marketing Programs, Customer Marketing, Customer Acquisition, SaaS, Salesforce Administration, SFDC, Eloqua, Marketo, Lead Generation

### Different example: projects @coding school as experience

### Experience



#### Full Stack Java Web Developer

Ubiqum Code Academy

2018 - Present · 1 vr

Full time course wich focuses on learning by doing, over the course of 800 hours I worked on simulated real-life project for fictional clients but which included real requirements and design specifications. The project was carried out in agile methodology weekly or fortnightly sprints in which I had to present the project in its different stages to the client and present my code to my colleagues.

Projects that I worked on during the course:

- 1. Website of the Northside Youth Soccer League Technologies used: HTML, including HTML5, CSS, Flexbox.
- 2. Transparent Government website (TGIF)
  Technologies used: Javascript, jQuery, AJAX, JSON and API, Bootstrap, CSS.
- Northside Youth Soccer League (NYSL) mobile web application
   Technologies used: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, jQuery, JSON and API, Firebase, Google login.
- 4. Game Safe (Battleships)
  Technologies used: jQuery, JavaScript, AJAX, JSON, Java 8, Spring Boot
  See less



### highlight your best accomplishments

experience section > bullet points that describe what you did, which technologies were used etc. (projects during the course)

### include GitHub

- option 1: create a specific current experience section and then you have the opportunity to talk more about what you do and offer as a Web Dev)
- option 2 : GitHub profile in your summary section (live link does not work)
- Cluster your skills logically (if included in "ABOUT ME" > separate them by bullet points instead of comma!)



# Any questions regarding LinkedIn? Ask!



# Start to apply as soon as you can!

- Finalize your CV and cover letter and send them to <a href="mailto:graduates@digitalcareerinstitute.org">graduates@digitalcareerinstitute.org</a> until the **23rd April**
- Finalize your Online presentation
- Visit job fairs, conferences, meet-ups, etc.
- Send out at least 4 applications per week
- Expected answer rate: 30% be prepared & don't give up! (As more you re sending, the more often you il get replies!)