# Diploma in Career Advancement



- Part I



### The Truth is...



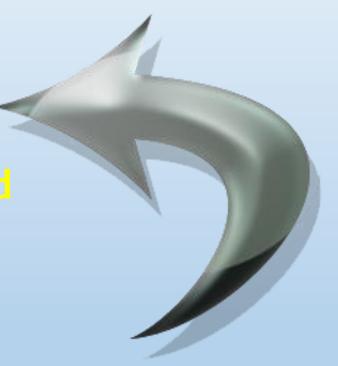
Connecting with a decision maker is hard...

... so how do we do it?

## Lesson 2 Recap



- ✓ What HAS to be in your CV
- **✓** What you can leave out
- ✓ Number 1 technique to get you noticed
- ✓ Increased your technical knowledge



## **Today's Lesson**



**Identify an industry** 

**Connect with ideal companies** 

**Build a strategy** 

**Position yourself** 

**Summary** 

**Course Interaction** 

**Next Steps** 

Q & A



# **Let's Begin**





### **Career Advancement**



# **Job Search Strategy**

### In this lesson:



Personal marketing plan

Top ways to get a job

Creating a strategy

Online reputation management

Targeting an industry

Cover letter

## Keep in mind...



"Getting referred to a job is 5-10X more effective than applying directly."

**Forbes** 

## Top ways to get a job



Your existing network

Connect with alumni

Attend events

LinkedIn

Job boards

Recruiter



## The best mix



- Best estimate
- Work the plan
- Make adjustments
- Go again



## Your marketing plan



- Preferred:
- Different to a CVJob titles
- Clear directionIndustry
  - Company

- Positioning statement
  - on line reputation
  - o social media
- Summary of qualifications
- Competencies

## Why do we need a plan?



Without a plan....

You will be directionless



## Define your preferred job titles:



Title	Title
Business Development	COO
Strategic Account Management	Director
High End Client services	Senior Manager

## **Target Market**





Where would you be willing to work?

What size company?



## Who are you targeting?



## What company in what industry?

Technology	Services	Services Consultancy	
Company A	Company E	Company I	Company M
Company B	Company F	Company J	Company N
Company C	Company G	Company K	Company O
Company D	Company H	Company L	Company P

## **Preferred Functions**



Day to day basis



## **Summary of Qualifications**



#### Reference:

- skills
- experiences
- talents

Has to be unique to you

What skills do you want to highlight?

What does someone definitely need to know?



# **Experience**



Years	1999 – 2003	2003 – 2007	2007 – 2011	2011 - Present	
Industry	Telecoms	Finance			
Role	Customer service	Sales	Marketing	Operations	

## **Positioning to Differentiate**



- 1. Full description of your skills, knowledge, abilities and traits
- 2. 100 words
- 3. 50 words
- Email subject line
- Public profile on LinkedIn
- Twitter



Branding: A unique promise of value

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**Def**<sup>n</sup>: LinkedIn is a social networking site designed specifically for the business community. The goal of the site is to allow registered members to establish and document networks of people they know and trust professionally.





### People/Companies use LinkedIn because:

- Employment opportunities
- Digital CV
- Conversion Opportunities





- Demographics
- Terminology
- Creating Content
- Top Tips





Who is it for?

Anyone in or looking for a profession!







Appropriate Tone?

**Professional Brands** 

**Business Lunch** 





- Professional Networking
- Job Opportunities
- Digital CV





#### Who are LinkedIn's user's:

- Age
- Gender
- Demographic

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Connections

• InMail

Pulse







• 1st Degree

• 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

• 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

Fellow Members





### 1.4 million groups















- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Advanced
- Expert
- All Star

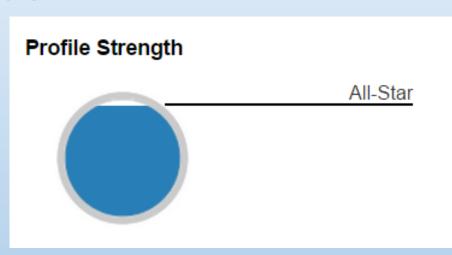






#### All-Star

- Professional Header
- Summary
- Experience
- Examples
- Engagement









#### **Job Seekers**



#### Land your dream job

- Stand out to hiring managers
- · Get in touch with recruiters
- See how you compare to other candidates

#### **Business Plus**



### Grow and nurture your network

- · Promote and grow your business
- Maximize the power of your network
- · Enhance your professional brand







#### **Sales Navigator**



#### Unlock sales opportunities

- Find leads and accounts in your target market
- Get real-time insights for warm outreach
- Build trusted relationships with customers and prospects

#### **Recruiter Lite**



Find and hire talent

- · Find great candidates, faster
- · Contact top talent directly
- Build relationships with prospective hires





- Keep it professional!
- Media!
- Call to Action!
- Analyse!
- Question!





- Be conscious of your tone
- Use professional language
- Aspire for All-Star
- Don't limit yourself
- Include Media in your posts
- Use the Business Services



## **Online Reputation Management**



- Follow your preferred companies
- Interact with them
- Ask questions
- Answer questions





Subject line: Job application 'Job Title' Ref: 12345

Dear FIRST NAME

**First paragraph:** This needs to be a brief introduction. Start off with who you are, what job you are applying for, and where and when you saw the job advertised. You could tell them here that you've enclosed your CV.



**Second paragraph:** Explain a bit about why you are interested in the job and why you are applying to that particular organization. Ensure to mention something specific from the job description that got your attention. This will ensure that you are not just sending out generic cover letters to every job opening. Explain that the strengths the company has is what attracts you to the role.



Third paragraph: Use this paragraph to talk about your own strengths – why your knowledge and skills make you a strong candidate specifically for this role. Make a link between the job description and you: you can talk about where your values and motivations lie and how you feel they align with the organization. Make reference to the facts, figures and hard evidence in the relevant sections of your CV.



**Final paragraph** Conclude positively – tone is very important. Tell them when you'll be available for interview, what your notice period is and that you look forward to hearing from them.

Kind regards,

YOUR NAME

## **Summary**



- ✓ Identify an industry
- **✓** Identify companies
- ✓ Build a strategy
- ✓ Positioning yourself



- Attend all of the lessons live to ask Questions in real time and benefit the most
- O We're here to help, so contact us anytime!



### **Next Lesson**



- The next session is all about Networking:
  - Approaching a group of strangers
  - Knowing your reason
  - Starting conversations
  - Ending conversations
  - Introducing others
- Attend all of the lessons LIVE and your knowledge will grow
- Recordings are available within 24 hours

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#### **Next Lesson is**

## Networking

- We begin your Networking Strategy
- You will learn displaying value, exiting conversations, following up
- You will gain confidence and connections
- · We will be really getting into the core areas
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