

CAREER PLANNING:

Graduating from University, that it's not enough for you to get a job. University is important, but it's not everything. It's one step from 20 steps. So I advise everyone to start working on your career and building your career profile.

There's one thing's going to help you in this life, one person is going to help you to get things in life. It's you.

If you don't help yourself, nobody's going to help you. What I mean by that, increase your knowledge, try to get into places, be a brave.

Sir Samer al Zaim

Don't sit back and do a stereotype about things. Just jump in, take a risk.

This is the time when you take a risk, communicate to people, if you connect with 10 top, let's say, IT managers, and one of them respond to you and you get hired, that's good. So Keep talking to people, keep talking to seniors, keep talking to companies, keep applying, don't give up, and don't give up.

A lot of times we give up when we are, like, one step from achieving our goals, so... don't give up, and work on your skills. Build your skills now.

How to Create a LinkedIn Account

During this bootcamp, it became clear that simply having a LinkedIn account is not enough. Many students and fresh graduates create profiles that appear unstructured or misleading because they add too much information or present themselves as more experienced than they actually are. A strong LinkedIn profile should be **clear, honest, and concise**, focusing on the most relevant information. The goal is to present the right details in a short and effective way that helps recruiters quickly understand your profile and increases your chances of getting hired.

Goals Setting

Goal setting plays an important role in building a meaningful LinkedIn profile. This session highlighted the importance of knowing **why** you are on LinkedIn whether for learning, networking, internships, or job opportunities. When goals are clearly defined, it becomes easier to align profile content accordingly and avoid unnecessary or irrelevant information. Clear goals help in creating a focused and professional online presence.

Workshop

The workshop focused on improving how students present themselves professionally on LinkedIn. It emphasized that many profiles fail not because of a lack of skills, but due to poor presentation and unclear messaging. Time was dedicated to understanding what information actually adds value, how to keep content structured, and how to make profiles more effective rather than overloaded.

Adding Certifications to LinkedIn: Importance and Steps

This part of the bootcamp highlighted the importance of adding certifications correctly on LinkedIn. Certifications should support your learning journey and career goals instead of being added randomly. When listed properly, they help build credibility and show continuous learning, making the profile more aligned with professional expectations.

How to Create a Post for LinkedIn

Creating LinkedIn posts was discussed as a way to build professional visibility. The focus was on sharing meaningful and relevant content rather than posting excessively. Posts that reflect learning experiences, skill development, and participation in workshops help in building a strong professional image and engaging with the network in a productive way.

How to Apply for a Job on LinkedIn

Applying for jobs on LinkedIn goes beyond clicking the apply button. The profile itself acts as a digital resume. A well-structured and goal-oriented profile improves the chances of being noticed by recruiters. The session emphasized aligning profile content with job requirements to make applications more effective.

Job Interviews

Before

Preparation before interviews is essential. This includes understanding the role, improving communication skills, and being mentally prepared. Strong preparation sets the foundation for confidence and clarity.

During

During interviews, communication, emotional intelligence, and confidence are as important as technical knowledge. The ability to connect, explain ideas clearly, and interact professionally plays a major role in how candidates are evaluated.

After

After interviews, reflection and self-improvement are important. Reviewing performance helps identify areas for growth, especially in communication and interpersonal skills.

Interview Workshop

The interview workshop strongly emphasized the importance of **soft skills alongside hard skills**. Technical skills represent what is learned through education and technology, while soft skills determine how effectively that knowledge is used in real-world environments. Skills such as communication, emotional intelligence, leadership, and team management were highlighted as key factors in career growth. Without strong soft skills, individuals may remain technically capable but struggle to progress professionally.

Key Takeaway from the Bootcamp Journey

- Soft skills are **equally important as hard skills**.
- While technical knowledge forms the foundation, communication, emotional awareness, and the ability to work with others define long-term success.
- This bootcamp reinforces the idea that developing soft skills is essential for standing out, growing professionally, and moving forward in a competitive environment.