



Student Success Committee

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY (SET)



Mission Statement

To support the academic mission of SET by organizing events and providing resources that will help students define and pursue their career goals.

Key Goals:

1. Support career readiness
2. Connect students with resources
3. Provide networking & professional development opportunities

About Us !

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Our Website: <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/set/student-success>

If you are interested in joining, contact us.

Getting Started – First Steps

Handshake is a job search platform made specifically for university students and recent alumni where hundreds of thousands of employers are looking for students like you. Discover your path to success!

Create and update your Handshake profile: <https://tacoma.uw.edu/joinhandshake.com/login>



College Career Development Roadmap (4-year)

Year 1

FRESHMAN YEAR

Foundation & Exploration:

- Explore various career paths and industries
- Build your first resume with academic achievements
- Join student organizations related to your interests
- Meet with career counselors and advisors
- Attend career exploration events and info sessions

Year 2

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Skills & Experience:

- Actively seek internships and part-time opportunities
- Attend professional development workshops
- Take on leadership roles in student organizations
- Start building a professional online presence
- Develop technical and soft skills through coursework

College Career Development Roadmap (4-year)

Year 3

JUNIOR YEAR

Network & Refine:

- Build professional networks through events and LinkedIn
- Refine and update resume with recent experiences
- Practice interview skills through mock interviews
- Secure meaningful internships in your field
- Research graduate school options if applicable

Year 4

SENIOR YEAR

Launch & Apply:

- Apply for full-time positions and graduate programs
- Attend career fairs and recruitment events
- Complete final interviews and negotiations
- Finalize post-graduation plans and timeline
- Maintain professional relationships for future opportunities

College Career Development Roadmap (2-year)

Year 1

JUNIOR YEAR

Foundation & Early Action:

- Explore career paths in your field of study
- Create your first professional resume
- Join relevant student organizations and clubs
- Seek part-time work or volunteer opportunities
- Build professional skills through workshops
- Start networking with classmates and faculty
- Apply for summer internships early

Year 2

SENIOR YEAR

Launch & Execute:

- Complete internships and gain hands-on experience
- Refine resume with recent experiences and skills
- Practice interview skills through mock sessions
- Attend industry career fairs and networking events
- Apply for full-time positions 3-6 months before graduation
- Build professional online presence (LinkedIn profile)
- Complete capstone projects or portfolio work
- Secure job offers or plan next steps before graduation



Upcoming Events + Workshops

ORGANIZED BY OFFICE OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT (AUTUMN QUARTER)

- Weekly drop in Career Advising for SET Students
- UWT Career & Internship Fair – 10/15 & 10/16
- Acing the Career Fair – 10/7 & 10/13
- Interview Strategies – 10/22
- Resumes that Really Work – 10/8 & 11/4
- How to Find a Job/Internship – 10/28
- Growing Skills Beyond the Classroom – 10/9
- Considering Grad School ? – 11/18
- Resumania – 10/14

Note: You can register for these events through Handshake !



Upcoming Events + Workshops

ORGANIZED BY SSC | SET

- Meet your advisors !
- Faculty Mixer
- Industry Visits
- Life After Graduation !
- Alumni Mixer
- Industry Mentorship
- Mock Interview Day
- Game Night !
- Salary Negotiation

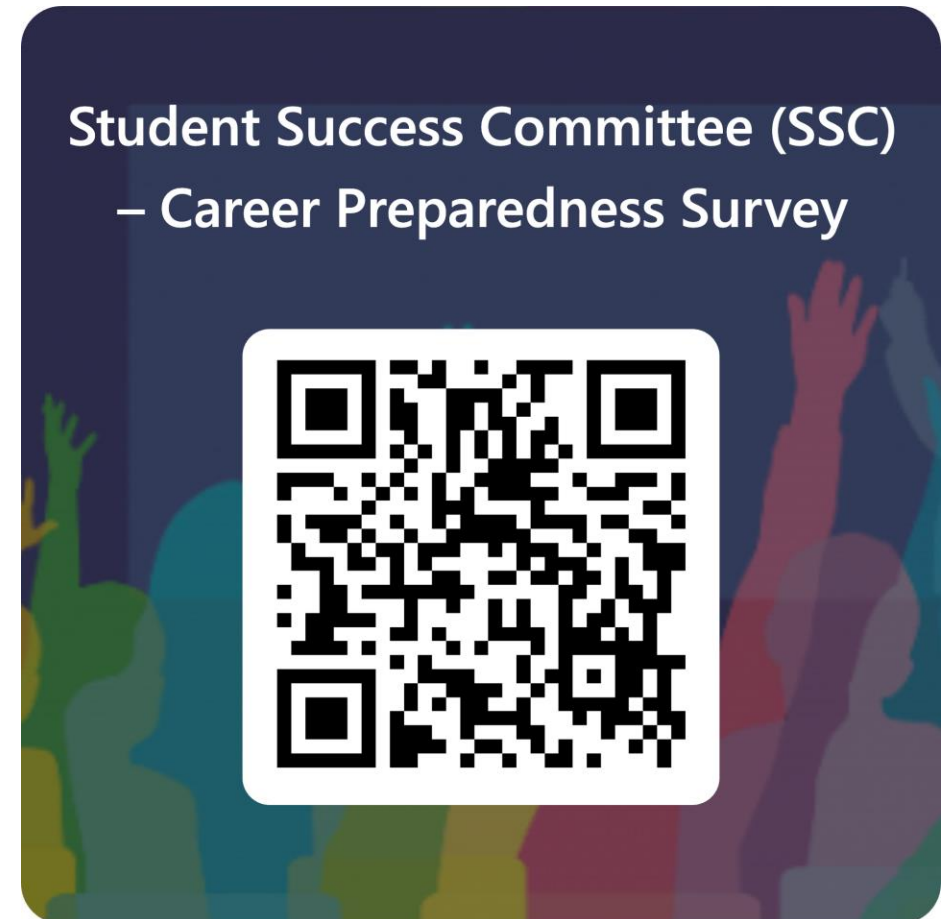
Note: Please check your UW email for announcements about upcoming events!

Resources for Students

- Office of Career Development : <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/career>
- Resume & Cover Letter Templates: <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/career/resume-cover-letter>
- Job Scan: <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/career/jobscan>
- IRIS Photo Booth: <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/business/success/iris-photo-booth>
- LinkedIn Learning (use your UW credentials): <https://www.linkedin.com/learning?u=67682169>
- Career Launch Readiness Assessment: <https://go.careerlaunchassessment.com/uw-access>
- International Student Employment: <https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/oga/iss-s-employment>

Student Feedback – We need your Input !

- Your input will help the Student Success Committee (SSC) provide events, resources, and opportunities that best support your career goals.
- Scan the following QR code or click on the survey link (use your UW credential):



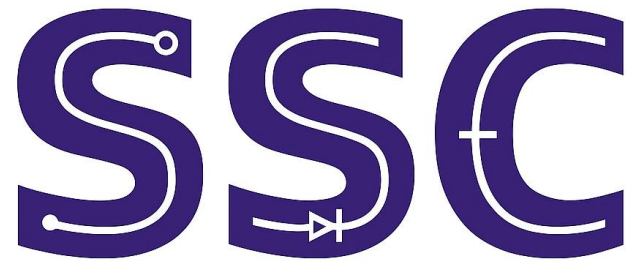


Top 5 Career Tips !

1. **Build Genuine Relationships:** Focus on creating authentic connections with colleagues, mentors, and industry peers.
2. **Continuously develop your skills:** The job market evolves rapidly, so stay relevant by learning new technologies, methodologies, or soft skills. Make learning a habit, not a one-time event.
3. **Communicate your value clearly:** Regularly update your manager on accomplishments and ensure your contributions are visible to key decision-makers.
4. **Take calculated risks and embrace challenges:** Volunteer for difficult projects, consider lateral moves that broaden your experience, or even change industries if it aligns with your goals. Growth happens outside your comfort zone.
5. **Maintain work-life integration:** Burnout kills careers faster than almost anything else. Set boundaries, prioritize your health, and remember that sustainable performance beats short-term intensity.



Thank You !



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We're here to help you succeed!