

Career Services Assignment 5 – Attend a Meetup

Points possible: 50

Category	Criteria	% of Grade
Completeness	All requirements of the assignment are complete.	50
Quality	Answers show thought, proper grammar, and are well written.	50

Instructions: Find a technology meetup or networking event and attend it (either virtually or in-person). Search sites like Eventbrite.com, Meetup.com or do a search like this “[name of your city] + technology meetup. You can also ask your classmates or post the question on LinkedIn and see what recommendations you get.

If possible, go with fellow students or alumni. Answer the following questions below.

Which meetup did you attend?

I attended a virtual seminar put on by Coding Chamber titled Learn How To Become A Software Engineer.

What did you learn?

This seminar went over important things to know when on the road to getting a job in software engineering. The host is a software engineer at Mphasis and gave us some background on how he ended up at his current job, and the different experiences that he has had that he believes helped prepare him to be successful in the field. He shared helpful information on building cover letters, how to do well in interviews, and gave good general insight into the application and hiring process in the field based off of his experience. He also shared multiple stories about projects that he has worked on which helped me to gain insight into the daily work of a software engineer.

Did you meet anyone new?

Yes, we did an icebreaker at the beginning of the seminar and I introduced myself to the host and the other people that were attending. I was able to hear what others attending did for work and why they were attending the seminar. It was interesting to hear where other people were at in their journeys, and it motivated me to keep going my own.