Intern/New Grad Engineer Process

What you can expect when applying

Overview

- Applying
- Online Assessment
- Interviews
- Decision



Applying

Setting yourself up for success

Resume

- Find examples online
- Use templates (Monster, Resume-Library)
- Create drafts
- Have others review
- Sell yourself
- Update when necessary



Searching for Positions

- Popular platforms (LinkedIn, Indeed, Glassdoor)
- Know what you are looking for
- Play around with search filters
- Set Alerts
- Check regularly







Searching for Positions (cont.)

- Popular GitHub repos for Interns/New Grads
- PittCSC
- UWCSC
- https://github.com/pittcsc/Summer2022-Internships
- https://github.com/uwcsc/winter2022-internships



Filling out Applications

- Asking for referrals
- Apply on company site (not required but I recommend)
- Keep track of where you applied (Trello, Google Sheets)
- Update statuses throughout the process





Online Assessment

What happens next?

Online Assessment Invitation

- Link emailed by recruiter or automatically
- Common Platforms (Hackerrank, Codesignal, HireVue)
- Keep track of deadlines
- Set aside time to complete







Getting Prepared

- Practice!!
- Get familiar with the platform
- Review core concepts (data structures, algos)
- Learn from mistakes
- Pair programming



During the Assessment

- Skim through each task
- Think about order of completion
- Read the prompt CAREFULLY
- Brainstorm solution
- Convert idea to code and test it

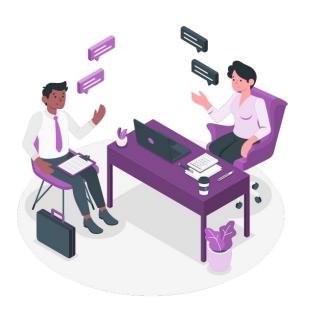


Interviews

Congrats on moving on!

Interview Overview

- Types of interviews (behavioral, technical, mixed)
- How many interviews
- Common questions
- Be yourself
- Make it a conversation



Behavioral Interview

- Know your resume
- Do mock interviews
- Be able to recall certain experiences
- Don't overthink things
- Nothing more than a first impression



Technical Interview Prep

- Practice with Leetcode
- Read helpful books
- Review core concepts (data structures, algos)
- Pair programming
- Watch and do mock interviews





During the Technical Interview

- Listen to the prompt CAREFULLY
- Ask for clarification if needed
- Think out loud
- Comment and explain code as you go
- Focus on correctness then optimize

Decision

The moment you've been waiting for

Offer

- Congratulations
- Call from recruiter (verbal)
- Negotiate if needed
- Review details (written)
- Keep deadline in mind
- Wait on others?



Rejection

- Keep your head up
- Understand the reason
- Keep applying and doing interviews
- Stay focused
- Don't let a rejection define you



Questions?