

MAP Meeting 5 Agenda

Reassessing Your Job Search

About

- Goal
 - Identify what's working and what's not yielding results in your job search
- Outcomes
 - A list of your successful tactics
 - Rank them based on which ones have led to email responses, one-on-one interactions (phone or in-person), interviews
 - A list of unsuccessful tactics
 - What fell short?
 - Are there other people/role within the company that you could reach out to?
 - Try to put yourself in the shoes of the hiring manager or lead dev. How would it feel to receive the message you sent? To lead the interview that you (the candidate) may have struggled during?
 - How can you improve these tactics, or pivot your approach so that they yield better results?
 - A refreshed resume and schedule
 - Ideas to change up your job search
 - Take a full day off from the job search - go for a walk, or code as much as you want, or refocus on your family or significant other - then come back to it the next day (or on Monday, if you take Friday off) refreshed
 - Take a class on Udemy, Coursera or a free MOOC from a university
 - Volunteer with an organization like RailsBridge, Hack the Hood, Code 2040
- Reading
 - [5 Reasons It's Taking So Long to Find A Job \(And How to Fix That\)](#)
- Homework
 - Keep track of how you spend your time over the five weekdays prior to this meeting. Set pomodoro timers or really anything to take note every 30 minutes or so, then mark down what exactly you are spending each block of time on.
 - Take 30 minutes to create a list of all the different ways you have reached out to potential employers over the last 10 weeks
 - Include screenshots or clips from different email approaches
 - Assemble them all in an Evernote notebook if you want to see them all in one place
 - Make sure you include live events someplace, and account for any research you did prior to attending
 - Summarize outcomes from live events where you don't have electronic evidence of the interaction

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Time	Topic	Conversation
5 min	Intro & Check In	Check in about how everyone is feeling: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For those who have found jobs, what did you feel was a great use of your time?• For those that haven't, what has been your biggest challenge?
30 min	Large Group Activity	Trade resumes and schedules with two other group members, per facilitator's directions.
15 min	Small Group Discussion	Pair off and discuss your findings from the large group activity. What did you learn from others' resumes? How are they spending their time? What has worked well for you? What could you use some help solving?
5 min	Next Steps + Wrap Up	Decide if your group will continue to meet and, if so, how often, with what meeting structure? Where and when will the next meeting take place, and who will lead it?