

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PPG is a Fortune 200 global manufacturer of paints, coatings, and specialty materials with operations in almost 70 countries. The company's headquarters is located in Pittsburgh.

GetMe Hired not only focuses on the content and ways we can improve of our CV, they also help us to portray a good impression to the employer with our CV.

INTRODUCTION

The career talk from PPG and GetMe Hired was really meaningful as they shared about their experiences, invaluable advices and provides practical strategies for career growth as a data engineer. They also talked about how important it is for us to improve our soft skills in order to get hired by our desired company. The most important thing is we need to start everything early, we need to improve our profile in LinkedIn and Github so that some of the companies will notice our existence.

Advices from alumni :

1. Improve communication skills by having discussions with friends or lecturers and deal with clients. Other than that, teamwork. It can be done by contributing in group projects or assignments. Having a good time management is also a crucial skill set to have.
2. Importance of technical skills to be Data Engineer :
 - SQL Skills
 - Data Modelling
 - Programming Skills
 - Visualization Skills using BI Tools

Best things found in PPG :

- Many opportunities to create impact
- Reliable colleagues and positive working culture
- PPG always try and implement new technology

What I get from GetMe Hired :

1. Confident and have the right mindset.
2. Know your worth and get hired
3. Need to have the right framework and know how to position myself in the market.
4. Must level-up and improve my skills.

REFLECTION & WAY FORWARD

First of all, I'm very grateful to have had the opportunity to attend this career talk from GetMe Hired, PPG staff, alumnis of my course and also from my seniors. They helped me to identify the skills and qualities that I need to improve in order for me to reach my long-term goals. By that, I will actively enjoy workshop and competition that will be held by my faculty.

Other than that, I will upgrade my skills by taking free courses and acquire certificates from MDEC, Google and HRDF. Even though one of the Second Year student said about how hard this course was, I view them as opportunities for my self-growth. I believe that in whatever we do, we still have to face some challenges along the way.

For me, the field of ICT is very dynamic due to the technologies that are constantly emerging. That's why we need professionals in this field to stay updated with the latest technologies. Therefore, the organizations will stay at the forefront of industry trends.

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