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Resume Prep Schedule & General Announcements

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Announcements

I'm going to be at Signal House tonight, from 7 - 7:30 until late

- -->This is mostly to get the chance to talk with you guys in a more casual setting and to answer any questions & concerns.
- -->If you're interested in living in Countersignal House past the end of March, please be there or email me directly with your preferences. There are two big decisions we'd like to make sooner rather than later: First, for those who are planning on staying through April, where are you going to stay / what are you going to pay? Second, we'd like to decide on what we're going to do with the house through May and beyond, whether we use it for housing future campers or sign over the lease to someone who wants to live there or something else entirely.
- -->We're also deciding on what to do for the next cohort. Our current plan is to launch a program starting on May 2nd focused on developers, but it's not set in stone and we've also considered waiting until June to launch a student-centered program . If you are interested in being a TA or have friends you'd like to refer this is also a good time to talk

Interview Prep: Resume Clinic

Resumes

Preparation

I'd like everyone to spend at least an hour Googling for resume advice. There's a lot out there, and much is generic, but this is another case where the default is to just come up with something and throw it out there and almost ANY amount of preparation will make you do better.

One strategy that I'd recommend is to pick a large city and search Yelp for resume writing services. Find the best-rated ones and go to their websites. Often they'll have work samples, which you can mine for style & design inspiration.

Then, re-write your resume--I'd recommend you spend between half an hour to an hour on this. Do the best you can.

Logistics

Meet in the CFAR office at 1 PM. If you want to get in touch I'll be there from 11 AM on. Bring at least two paper copies of your resume with you, as well as a computer & charger. You'll be editing extensively at the CFAR office. If you're finishing a project, feel free to write *as though* it's been completed

- 1 PM 2PM: Collaborative editing. Break into groups of three and spend 20 minutes on each person's resume. The other two people will read it and make a list of edits / things they want. Don't forget to write suggestions down.
- 2PM 3PM: Implement edits. Email your resumes to me at cordwell@gmail.com no later than 3 PM so I can

print copies at the nearby FedEx Kinkos. I'll print multiple versions if you want to AB test, but no more than 3 per person please

3 - 3:30: Break

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM: Collaborative editing, round 2

4:30PM - 5:30PM: Implement edits.Email your second resumes to me at cordwell@gmail.com no later than 3 PM so I can print copies at the nearby FedEx Kinkos

5:30 - 6 PM: Break

6PM - 7PM: Collaborative editing, final round

Best,

Robert Cordwell