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ALTERNATIVE EXPERIENCES FOR SUMMER 2021

AGENDA

- Upcoming Events
- Micro-internships/Gigs
- Virtual Experience Programs
- Projects
- Training/Courses
- Research



UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Hire Big Ten+ Virtual Career Fair
 - Tue, Apr 20, 3:00pm 7:00pm EDT
 - 42 Employers
 - Register and sign up for sessions in Handshake
- Several other virtual sessions via "Events" in Handshake
 - Coffee chats, info sessions, a competitions, panels, etc.
 - You never know where these opportunities might lead!

MICRO-INTERNSHIPS & GIGS

- Short-term, professional experiences
- Occur year round
- Specific projects with fixed deadline & payment
- Found at both large corporations and small start-ups

- Parker Dewey
- <u>Upwork</u>



VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

- Solve companies' real-world problems
- Build your skills with experiences
- Unpaid but is self-paced

CHECK OUT-->

• Forage





PERSONAL PROJECTS

- Put your skills to the test or create something new
- Shows passion for your chosen field
- Great resume builder/conversation piece

- Aaron's Initiative
- Can't Stop Columbus Projects
- Faris' Project



PROJECT TEAMS/ ORGANIZATIONS/ COMPETITIONS

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Department of Mechanical and Aerospace

RESEARCH

 Learn tolerance for obstacles faced in the research process, how knowledge is constructed, independence, increased selfconfidence, & more!

- Your department's website to locate faculty and reach out to inquire about potential research opportunities
- COE's Undergraduate Research website
- <u>Undergraduate Student Research Placement Tool</u>
 - Summer app closes on 4/30





TRAINING/ COURSES

- Enroll in courses to develop new technical and professional skills
- Consider soft skills (presentation, leadership, etc.) or hard skills (programming languages, software, etc.)

- Coursera
- EdX
- LinkedIn Learning

VOLUNTEERISM & PART-TIME JOBS

- Gain important transferable skills
- Show commitment to service/giving back

- <u>DoSomething (volunteer)</u>
- VolunteerMatch (volunteer)
- Handshake (part-time)
- Indeed (part-time)





ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Redesign Your Break Handout
- Update your resume and/or Handshake/LinkedIn profile
- Troubleshoot your application, resume, and interviews
- Expand/reach out to your network
- Set up and conduct an informational interview
- Include a tailored cover letter in your job applications

BUCKEYE ENGINEERS WORK

- Join ECS as we celebrate our students and their work during the last month of school for our 5th annual <u>Buckeye Engineers Work campaign!</u>
- Prize raffle and great opportunities/events to get involved



WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

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