

Step 2: Exploring Options for Direct Entry into the Workforce (Years 2-3)

As a student preparing for direct entry into the workforce, I need to:

- Gain relevant experience that will allow me to appear as a strong and competitive candidate to potential employers
- Start networking so I can make not only make professional contacts but also learn more about the field I would like to enter once I graduate

I can start to achieve these goals with the UTM Career Centre by:

- Start getting relevant experience by checking out the “Jobs” tab on the Career Centre website, which includes:
 - On-Campus Opportunities
 - Work Search Strategies
 - Resume & Cover Letter Resources
 - Resources & Links: Preparing for Interviews
- Logging into the Career Learning Network (CLN) to:
 - Access job postings for on-campus, part-time, full-time, summer, and volunteer opportunities
 - Register for events and workshops
 - Sign up for a resume or cover letter critique
- Attending career fairs, employer information sessions, panels, and other events offered by the Career Centre to make connections and practice my networking skills
- Start making professional contacts by signing up for the Extern Job Shadowing Program, In the Field Program, exploring the Informational Interview Database, and connecting with a UTM alumni in my field of interest
- Making an appointment with a Career Counsellor and/or Employment Advisor for individual advice on career options and creating an action plan for my job search