WHO’S IN YOUR NETWORK?

Networking is a crucial part of the job search. While it may sound scary, networking can happen anywhere and at any time, sometimes without you even realizing it! Every person you talk to can become part of your network. This network can help you find careers, internships, or other professional paths.

The first part of networking is identifying who’s already in your network. How might these people help you gather information, suggest other resources, and speak to your strengths? The contacts you have, and the ones you’ll make, can serve as references in your future career.

GET CONNECTED!

How do you expand your network? Get connected with professionals in your field! The following list is ideas of how you can get started building your network.

- Professional Associations
- Informational Interview or Coffee Meeting
- Volunteer
- LinkedIn

Check out AlumniFire to connect with U Alumni in your field! You can access it through Handshake.
WHO’S IN YOUR CIRCLE?

Consider your network as a series of circles, with you in the center. Each person you meet expands your circle. Use this chart to start writing down who’s in your circles, and who might be helpful to you during your career search.

- **YOU**
- **Family & Friends**
- **Neighbors, Classmates, Professors, & Co-workers**
- **Community groups, U of U Alumni, Previous co-workers/supervisors, Student Clubs**
- **Employers of Interest, Professional Associations, Volunteer Organizations**