Career Center Close-up
Majors, Internships, Career Planning & More!

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Assisting students with their career goals

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Career Center
4 Main Areas of Support

- Career Guidance & Exploration
- Internship Assistance
- Graduate & Professional School Prep
- Job Search & Employment Assistance

Hart Career Center Assists in All 4 Areas!
MANY students are unsure of career plans!

- Two professional counselors on staff
- Provide Interest / Skill / Personality assessments
- Major / Minor selection
- Career discovery *(What can I do with my major?)*
- Graduate school exploration *(30-35% of our students go directly on to graduate school)*
Career Planning Cycle

Self-Assess
Set Goals
Explore Options
Experience Opportunities

A circular & on-going process that will last throughout lifetime!
How Can Parents Help?

✓ Help identify strengths & passions
✓ Encourage student to explore through:
  - introductory courses
  - job shadowing or informational interviews
  - Career Center meetings or programs
  - involvement in campus groups, volunteering or internships
IWU Internship Program

Experience the Possibilities!

- Provide centralized database of opportunities
  - 24/7 access to Internship & Job postings
- Help students sift through options
- Assist with resumes & cover letters
- Over 450 students interned last year

*Can be paid/unpaid; for-credit/not-for-credit*

*Part-time during year; summer- full- or part-time*
Student’s Career Success Partner

- Resume Preparation & Review
- Practice Interviews
- Extensive Resource Library
- Job Shadowing Opportunities
- Job Fairs & Campus Interviews
- Career Workshops & Panels
- Internship & Job Search Assistance
Not-to-be-missed Events for Fall

**Sept. 11** – **Career Boot Camp**, 7-8:30 Hansen
(Resumes, Internships, Interviewing, Job Fair Success…)

**Sept. 26** – **Majors & Minors Fair**, 3-5 Memorial

**Oct. 3** – **IWU Internship Fair**, 4:30-6:30 Memorial
What Role Can Parents Play?

- Support campus involvement *balanced* with academic achievement
- Emphasize internships and volunteering
- Activate and share your network
  (Are you LinkedIn?)
- Help them think *widely* about options, and...
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- Meet our staff
  - Determine Career possibilities
  - Explore internship opportunities
  - Develop resume & cover letters
  - Participate in practice interviews

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THANK YOU!
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