ENGLISH 202D: RESOURCES FOR CAREER RESEARCH

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CORE LIBRARY RESOURCES

LionSearch*
http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/home.html
A place to discover the library’s electronic and print holdings. LionSearch is a good place to start, but there are also discipline-specific databases that are better for in-depth research.

Library Research Guides*
http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/researchguides.html
Librarians have outlined the most important resources for research in each area of study at Penn State. Need in-depth assistance? Contact your subject librarian to schedule a research consultation.

CAREER INFORMATION

Library Career Resource Guide*
http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/business/careers/careerres.html
A clearinghouse of resources related to all aspects of career exploration and the job hunt process.

The Occupational Outlook Handbook
http://www.bls.gov/ooh/
Published by the government, this website contains information on hundreds of careers, including training and educational requirements, salaries, expected job growth, working conditions, etc.

FINDING INTERNSHIPS, JOBS, & GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Career Services: Internship Advice
http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/career/students/internships.shtml
Advice and resources for Penn State students looking for internships.

Indeed.com (www.indeed.com)
Search for jobs based on a specific type, location, employer, and more. Includes RSS feeds and e-mail alerts.

Specialized Regional Websites
There are many specialized websites for finding jobs in your preferred geographic region, such as www.bestplacetoworkinpa.com and www.escapeartist.com (living and working abroad).

U.S. News and World Report: Best Graduate Schools
http://grad-schools.usnews.rankingsandreviews.com/best-graduate-schools/
A ranked list of the best graduate schools and the best programs within those schools.

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INTERVIEW PREP

*Hoover’s*
Research the company with which you’ll be interviewing. (Includes news, financial information, the company’s history, & more).

*Mergent Intellect*
Strength of this database is its coverage of private companies.

*The Company/Organization’s Website*
Often an important source of information about a company’s mission, vision, culture, and products/services.

*Thomson ONE Banker*
Reports written by analysts at over 1,000 investment banks, brokerage houses, and consulting groups.

*ValueLine*
This popular investment service provides concise company and industry analyses.

*IBISWorld* and *Standard & Poor’s NetAdvantage*
Important databases for identifying industry trends.

*ABI/Inform*
Provides online access to articles from the *Wall Street Journal* as well as from leading business periodicals.

*Business Source Premier*
Provides the full-text of articles from more than 2,000 periodicals in business and economics.

*Mintel*
A database providing full-text market research reports.

*Vault*
This database profiles various employers. It also contains Guides (e-books) on occupations.

*Penn State’s Career Services & Your College’s Career Portal*
http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/career/
One-on-one career counseling is available at Career Services. Almost all of the Colleges have a portal that allows students to search for jobs and internships.

Lists professional journals, trade publications, websites, and professional associations.

CITING SOURCES

*Citation Guides/Style Manuals*
http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/researchguides/citationstyles.html

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