On-Campus Jobs Offer Hands-on Experience, Increase Opportunities

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Amidst the pressure to land a quality internship, many students overlook on-campus employment as a way to gain meaningful, entry-level, paid career experience while they’re still in school. Not only do on-campus jobs have the benefit of flexible schedules, positive and supportive work environments, and opportunities to network, many on-campus jobs can be just as valuable as off-campus internships in preparing students for their future careers as well.

“For many students, working on campus is their first opportunity to earn experience in a professional capacity,” said Joe Mix, assistant director of the Office of Student Employment (OSE). “Although a degree from DePaul is a great starting point, it is best supplemented with real-world experience. That’s exactly what on-campus jobs offer.”

Some of the more robust on-campus jobs include graduate assistant, residential assistant, computer lab technician, and technology/web/application developer.

“Regardless of your major or what long-term aspirations you might have, there is a good likelihood that there are one or more jobs on campus that fit what you’re looking to do and can be a great experience,” said Mix.

Juan Pablo Garcia is a master’s student in the software engineering program at DePaul and works as a mobile application developer at the College of Digital Media (CDM). He designs mobile apps for Windows systems, and even helped build the app responsible for the large monitors on the first floor of the CDM building, and the tutor kiosk program in the CDM labs.

Before he moved to Chicago to begin his master’s program at DePaul, Garcia worked in architecture and project management. “I realized how fascinating and challenging it is to work with people on software development projects around the world,” Garcia said. Garcia’s career goals include running a global digital agency based in his native Columbia. He feels the on-campus job he has now prepares him for his career goals “in every possible way.” “I’m able to be part of...
Career Services for International Students

The Career Center has a wide variety of resources to assist international students with completing Curricular Practical Training (CPT) as well as in looking for employers to fulfill Optional Practical Training (OPT). Career services include:

- Career Advising
- Resume/Cover Letter Assistance
- Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) Mentoring Program
- Mock Interviews with ASK Mentors and Career Advisors
- Online Practice Interviews via depaul.interviewstream.com
- Networking Events

- Job Listings via depaul.experience.com
- Online Tools and Resources

For more information, visit the Resources and Special Populations tab at careercenter.depaul.edu/advice

Campus Employment 101 for International Students

Tuesday, January 27, 2015
2:00 – 3:30 PM
DPC 8005

Having difficulty landing an on-campus position as an international student? Join DePaul’s Office of Student Employment and the Kellstadt Career Management Center for a workshop designed specifically for international students looking to gain employment on campus.

RSVP to studentemployment@depaul.edu. Walk-ins welcome.

Career Strategies for International Students

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015
2:00pm-4:00pm
DePaul Center 8005
1 E Jackson Blvd

Employers, legal experts, and alumni will provide perspectives on career and job search strategies for international students at DePaul.

At the end of the panel, you’ll have an opportunity to ask questions in an open format and to interact with the panel members informally afterwards.

For more information and to register, please go to depaul.experience.com.

All Kellstadt students must register through the Kellstadt Career Manager at depaulbusiness.experience.com

Need a little help?

Access training at software.depaul.edu/training

Learn Career Skills:
- Resumes
- Negotiation
- Interviews
- Communication
- Networking
- Productivity
- LinkedIn
- Software
- Leadership
- Microsoft Office
- Presentations
- and more

Lynda.com
Online Software Training
are able to get a firsthand opinion on what it’s like to work in an industry or at a certain company. Plus, you’re starting to network. In the reality of today’s job market, resumes are good, but connections are everything.

DePaul’s Career Center and departments around campus also hold many events for confused students like us. For example, during fall quarter I attended a career panel on campus. The event was sponsored by Independent Writers of Chicago and geared for those looking into freelance. I learned that freelancing is a great avenue for those who want to pursue a career in writing. It can also be a good choice for those who like to do research. Freelance writers often get assigned many different topics to write on. Because of this, they get to learn a little about a lot of things—from video scripts, to nursing manuals to training programs.

The good news is, even if you missed the freelance panel, DePaul hosts many events like this all school year long. There are events on everything from social justice to humanities, book readings by authors, networking events, career panels, and even publishing opportunities.

• Check out careercenter.depaul.edu for events like the Career Options for Creative Students Fair in March and Life After LPC Week in April. Life After LPC provides events especially for LAS students to help explore job and internship options.

• Visit las.depaul.edu for a list of upcoming events and seminars.

• Keep an eye on the DePaulUnderground page, depaulunderground.wordpress.com, to find other events that can help you gain a better idea of where your LAS journey will take you.

After exploring these events and resources, maybe next time you are confronted with the dreaded what-are-you-going-to-do-now question, you’ll have your answer!
Resume & Interview Prep

Walk-in Advising
No appointment necessary! Peer career advisors are available for walk-in appointments and can teach students and alumni about Career Center services, including DePaul’s web-based system DePaulExperience, On-Campus Interviewing (OCI), resume resources, career mentors, workshop and event registration and much more.

Resume Drive Thru
Wednesdays and Thursdays
3:00 – 5:00pm
Learning Commons, Richardson Library, Lincoln Park

Thursdays
11:30am – 12:30pm and 4:30 – 5:30pm
DePaul Center, 8th floor, Loop

Need resume help? Don’t have time to set an appointment? Cruise on over for a Resume Drive Thru! Career Center staff will be standing by to help you create or revise your resume. Stop by for a resume tune-up!

Practice Interviews with ASK
ask.depaul.edu
The Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) Volunteer Network gives you the opportunity to enhance your interviewing skills by meeting with an ASK Volunteer. During the one-on-one session, you will participate in a mock interview and receive helpful tips and feedback. Visit ask.depaul.edu to view the schedule. Contact ASK at (312) 362-8281 or ask@depaul.edu with questions or scheduling concerns.

Practice Online with InterviewStream
depaul.interviewstream.com
InterviewStream is a video mock interview system. Practice common interview questions on your computer, laptop or mobile device anywhere, any time.

Job & Internship Fairs
Job & Internship fairs are free. Unless otherwise noted, the Job & Internship fairs are not open to the general public. You must be a DePaul student or alumnus to attend.

2015 EVENTS

WINTER QUARTER

Illinois ICHRIE Hospitality Career Fair
Friday, January 30
10:30am – 1:00pm
Lincoln Park Student Center, Room 120

Big East & Big 10+ Health and Sciences Virtual Career Fair
February 1 – 7, Online

Winter Internship Fair
Friday, February 13
10:00am – 2:00pm
Lincoln Park Student Center, Room 120

Don’t miss this opportunity to connect with top employers recruiting for internships! DePaul University’s Winter Internship Fair is designed exclusively for DePaul students and alumni. Recruiters from multiple industries will be seeking qualified candidates for internships in a variety of capacities.

Education Fair Consortium
Thursday, March 5
2:00 – 6:00pm
Loyola University Student Center, 6511 N. Sheridan Rd. Chicago, IL

This fair is designed for students and alumni eligible to work no later than Fall 2015. Over 40 employers, schools, and school districts seeking candidates of all experience levels for positions as teachers, administrators, advisors, and counselors.

Career Options For Creative Students
Thursday, March 12
2:00 – 5:00pm
Explore a creative career in various fields. Employers will be available to share information with students regarding opportunities at their companies. Students of all experience levels are encouraged to attend to learn about the many professional opportunities that are available in creative roles.

Summer Quarter

Just in Time Job Fair
Tuesday, June 16
10:00am – 2:00pm
Lincoln Park Student Center, Room 120

Don’t miss this opportunity to interact with top employers, including temporary employment agencies and post-graduation volunteer opportunities! DePaul University’s Just in Time Job Fair is designed exclusively for DePaul recent graduates, students and alumni.

Career Networking Events

Networking Events often consist of a panel discussion followed by an informal reception where you can speak with panelists in small groups or one-on-one. Professionals share information about career paths, industry trends, specific companies and professional development.

Winter Quarter

Careers in SEO
Wednesday, January 14
5:00 – 7:00pm
DePaul Center, 11th Floor, DePaul Club

Are you interested in learning how to create stories from data? A career in Search Engine Optimization (SEO) might be for you! Join us to learn the art and science of SEO. Industry insiders will give tips on skills needed to be successful, ways to develop your career, job opportunities and more. Marketing, economics, business, management, hospitality, communications, math and MIS majors — don’t miss this chance to meet and talk about one of the hottest career paths!

Mad for PRAD
Tuesday, January 20
5:00 – 7:00pm
Lincoln Park Campus Student Center 120

Network with public relations and advertising professionals of all levels of experience during the Career Center’s Mad for PRAD event. You will have the opportunity to connect with industry professionals, gain insight into the future of the field, learn what day-to-day life is like in some of Chicago’s top PR and advertising organizations and more. This is a can’t-miss networking opportunity for students interested in pursuing a career in advertising or public relations.

Register for events on depaul.experience.com at careercenter.depaul.edu

Note: Kelstadt Graduate School of Business and Law Students should consult their own career centers.
Careers in Technology
Wednesday, January 28
5:00 – 7:00pm
DePaul Center & DePaul Club
Perfecting Your Pitch workshop
*4:00 – 4:45pm
The annual ‘Careers in Technology’ networking event will provide opportunities to gain insight through a keynote address, participate in topic roundtable discussions with technology professionals from a variety of career backgrounds, companies and industries, and meet and network with DePaul alumni and technology industry professionals. You can also practice and perfect your “elevator pitch” before the networking event in a 45-minute workshop!

Futures in Finance
Tuesday, February 3
5:00 – 7:00pm
DePaul Center, 11th Floor, DePaul Club
Meet and network with professionals in a variety of finance roles across multiple industries. Professionals will provide expert industry advice and career insight. This event is for undergraduate students exploring or pursuing careers in finance. However, alumni and graduate students are welcome to attend.

Career Week
Sunday, February 8 to Saturday, February 14
Various Times
DePaul’s annual Career Week offers a series of career-enhancing events aimed at DePaul adult students, graduate students and alumni. Join us for networking events, webinars, workshops and more. For the full schedule, visit careerweek.depaul.edu

Career Strategies for International Students
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DePaul Center, Room 8005
Employers, legal experts and alumni will provide perspectives on career and job search strategies for international students at DePaul. At the end of the panel, you will have an opportunity to ask questions in an open format and to interact with panel members.

DePaul Graduate Analytics Night
Thursday, February 26
5:00 – 7:00pm
DePaul Center, Concourse Level, Loop Campus
The DePaul Graduate Analytics Night is an opportunity for you to meet recruiters and hiring managers. Join analytics representatives as they discuss their companies, career opportunities, engage in interactive discussion, network, recruit, and more.

Science and Health Graduate School Forum
Friday, February 27
1:00 – 4:00pm
McGowan South Atrium, Lincoln Park Campus
Learn about graduate and professional programs in science and health. Gain insight into the graduate student experience and discover what admission representatives seek in potential candidates.

SAVE THE DATE
Watch careercenter.depaul.edu for additional networking events in Spring quarter covering industries and topics such as:
• Life after LPC week
• Working for the Common Good
• Careers in Scientific Research

ASK Networking Breakfasts
Connect with Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) mentors, alumni professionals, and students at a monthly networking breakfast. Register at ask.depaul.edu

WINTER QUARTER - WEDNESDAYS

The Art of Awesome
Wednesday, January 21
8:30 – 9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
Why is it so hard to talk about yourself? Idea Lemon shares how to define your purpose in life, and connect it with your network and goals to create your very own personal brand.

How to Network during Social Hours
Wednesday, February 11
8:30-9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
Part of DePaul’s annual Career Week, learn tips on how to network effectively especially during open networking events.

Global Perspectives
Wednesday, March 11
8:30 – 9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
Learn the many benefits of traveling abroad and exploring other cultures away from your home country. Discover how having a global perspective can boost your career.

SPRING QUARTER - THURSDAYS

Recruiter Insights
Thursday, April 16
8:30-9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
What do recruiters look for in resumes and interviews? Peek into the minds of recruiters and learn how they find the right candidate.

Powerful Public Speaking
Thursday, May 14
8:30 – 9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
Take your public speaking skills to new heights. Learn tips on boosting your confidence and delivering memorable and engaging presentations.

Embracing Change
Thursday, June 4
8:30-9:30am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor-DePaul Club
Change is inevitable – how you react to it is what determines your success. Learn tips on how to manage transitions and use change to your advantage.

Blue Demons At Work: Company Visit Series
Get an inside look into organizations during a company visit. Learn about corporate culture, network with DePaul alumni and other professionals and learn about potential career paths. Join us at these upcoming company visits co-hosted by the Office of Alumni Relations, Alumni Sharing Knowledge and the Career Center.

Inside Steppenwolf: Meet Blue Demons at Work
Friday, February 6
10:00am – 12:00pm

Inside Trunk Club: Meet Blue Demons at Work
Friday, February 20
10:00am – 12:00pm

Inside Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago: Meet Blue Demons at Work
Friday, May 1
10:00am – 1:00pm
Navigating Your Career Change

Experienced professionals who are considering or already involved in the process of changing careers will benefit from this workshop. Learn how to develop a plan for your career change by identifying the development components you need to work on most. This workshop will help you identify the type of transition you are attempting and assess its level of difficulty.

Monday, March 16
5:30pm – 7:00pm  DPC 9500

Workshops

30 in 30: Perfecting your Pitch
One of the most important elements in networking and building your personal brand is your elevator pitch. Get ready for upcoming job fairs and networking opportunities. Join us for a 30-minute workshop to perfect your 30-second pitch. Learn the components in developing a strong and effective pitch and have an opportunity to practice.

Thursday, January 22
12:15 – 12:45pm  DPC 9500

Ace Your First Professional Interview
Preparing for interviews can give you the confidence you need to highlight your strengths. This workshop teaches you how to prepare for the interviewing and post-interview follow-up process. You will be introduced to the various types of interviews, including behavioral interviewing.

Monday, January 26
12:00 – 1:30pm  DPC 9500

Tuesday, February 17
5:00 – 6:00pm  Teleconference

Beyond Mingling: Networking Strategies for All Types
This workshop will approach the topic of networking skills by breaking down pre-conceived notions of “successful” networking. Through a combination of lecture, interaction, and self-assessment, we will present an authentic model of networking that emphasizes how personality preferences can enhance the setting, etiquette, and motivation for individual networking success. Specifically, participants will be encouraged to identify their preferences toward extraversion or introversion as well as environments that are controlled or spontaneous and apply this information to their best networking fit.

Tuesday, February 10
10:30am – 12:00pm  DPC 9500

Connecting Your Values to Career Satisfaction
Your work values play a very important role in determining what kind of work you find fulfilling. Through this workshop, you’ll assess and prioritize your most important work values, and discover how to use your work values to help guide your career decisions.

Thursday, January 29
1:30 – 3:00pm  SAC 151

Handling Job Offers
Determine the best techniques and practices to negotiate your compensation package. This workshop will include a discussion on salary, benefits negotiation, and offer advice on how to handle salary requests and multiple offers.

Thursday, March 12
12:00 – 1:30pm  DPC 9500

How Can Alumni Help Me Plan My Career?
Faced with many decisions, most college students and alumni feel uncertain about their career choices at some point. Talking to someone who’s been there can help. In this workshop, learn the different ways our alumni can help you as you plan your career. We’ll talk about where to find alumni and the best practices of building relationships and growing your networking. It’s easier than you think!

Wednesday, January 21
3:30 – 5:00pm  SAC 151

Tuesday, February 24
4:15 – 5:45pm  DPC 9500

Friday, March 6
10:30am – 12:00pm  Webinar

How to Build a Career Portfolio
A professional career portfolio provides you with a tremendous resource for showcasing your work skills and experiences to an employer. In this workshop, you’ll learn how to conceptualize and compile an effective portfolio.

Tuesday, February 3
12:00 – 1:30pm  SAC 151

Identify Your Skills and Accomplishments
Skills are the currency of the job market; you get a paycheck in exchange for the skills you use in your job. Through this workshop, you’ll assess your skills, determine which ones you want to acquire or further develop, and identify ways to do so. Also, you’ll learn how to clearly articulate your skill set and present your resume to employers.

Monday, February 16
10:30am – 12:00pm  SAC 151

iPrep – Find Your Dream Internship Workshop
This workshop will help you create a strategy for applying to and securing your dream internship. You will also learn about the University Internship Program as a way for undergraduate students to receive academic credit for an internship and fulfill the Junior Year Experiential Learning (JYEL) requirement. This workshop also meets the University Internship Program Orientation requirement.

Wednesday, January 21
1:30 – 2:30pm  Webinar

Wednesday, February 11
10:00 – 11:00am  Webinar

Job Search Strategies
Learn how to identify effective job search strategies in a challenging job market. Get an overview of job search tactics and begin the process of selecting the strategies that make the most sense for you. Learn how to maximize the numerous job search resources available at DePaul and beyond.

Tuesday, March 3
12:00 – 1:30pm  SAC 151

Workshop Calendar and Registration
Attendance at these events is FREE, however pre-registration is required for all workshops, practice interviews and orientations through DePaulExperience. Please visit depaul.experience.com to view the calendar and register for workshops and events.

Workshops are listed in alphabetical order.

This workshop is for working professionals, alumni, adult, and graduate students.

This event is part of DePaul Career Week and requires registration. Visit careerweek.dePaul.edu for more information.

Workshop Location Key
DPC = DePaul Center, 1 East Jackson, Loop Campus
Richardson = John T. Richardson Library, 2350 N. Kenmore Avenue, Lincoln Park Campus
SAC = Schmitt Academic Center, 2320 N. Kenmore Avenue, Lincoln Park Campus
Student Center = 2250 N. Sheffield Avenue, Lincoln Park Campus
Teleconference ( ) = This workshop is conducted via telephone. Check DePaulExperience for details.

TBD = To be decided.

Note: A number listed after the location key indicates the room or suite number.
LinkedIn Basics for Job Searching

This is part one of the hands-on workshop held in a computer lab.

Learn the value of LinkedIn as an online networking tool and the basics of building a professional profile that represents your online brand. After building your profile, we will also discuss and demonstrate making connections to build your network, joining relevant groups, and cover some basic job searching tips on LinkedIn. Please be sure to create a LinkedIn account before the workshop so you have a starting point when you attend the workshop.

Tuesday, January 27
12:00 – 1:30pm Loop TBD

Leveraging LinkedIn: Using Your Profile to Create Results

This is part two of the hands-on workshop held in a computer lab.

Do you already have a profile, made some connections, joined some groups, but still want to know how to use your profile to get results? This workshop is for people who are already comfortable with the basics of LinkedIn, but want to learn more about leveraging their network, utilizing 2nd and 3rd degree connections, advanced job searching techniques, and much more. Workshop participants should be active LinkedIn users as we will not cover the basics of building your LinkedIn profile in this workshop. Please come to the workshop ready to work on your profile as we discuss these techniques. Still a LinkedIn beginner? Check out the first workshop in the LinkedIn workshop series, “LinkedIn Basics for Job Searching.”

Wednesday, February 25
12:00 – 1:30pm Loop TBD

Love What You Do – DePaul Interest Finder (DIF)

This workshop is ideal for students who are exploring major and career options. Research has shown a strong correlation between incorporating interests into your career planning process and ultimate workplace satisfaction. Participants will take the DePaul Interest Finder (DIF), a tailored survey designed to specifically assist individuals in identifying their personality strengths, preferred work environments, communication styles and career possibilities. While few occupations provide a “perfect” match between personality and work tasks, this indicator and workshop will assist you in making an informed decision.

Thursday, February 5
12:00 – 1:30pm SAC 151

Thursday, February 12
2:30 – 4:00pm DPC 9500

Monday, March 2
12:00 – 1:30pm SAC 151

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI)

Looking for work that is intrinsically interesting and gratifying to you? The MBTI is used to assist individuals in identifying their personality strengths, preferred work environments, communication styles and career possibilities. While few occupations provide a “perfect” match between personality and work tasks, this indicator and workshop will assist you in making an informed decision.

Thursday, February 19
2:00 – 4:00pm SAC 151

Panic-free in 30: Preparing for your Phone Interview

Ninety-five percent of the time, the interviewing process starts with a seemingly simple phone call. However, there can be some serious professional pitfalls if you are not thoroughly prepared. Join us for this 30-minute workshop and learn how to wow prospective employers before, during and after the interview.

Monday, February 9
11:15 – 11:45am Google Hangout

Tuesday, March 10
5:00 – 5:30pm DPC 9500

Soup it Up! – Resume Preparation for Educators

How do you transition a traditional resume to an educator’s resume? What is the best way to highlight my skills on paper? Join us to answer these questions and more as you learn important components of an education resume and how to highlight your strengths which will allow you to stand out and showcase what you have to offer. Whether you are beginning to craft your teaching resume for the first time or preparing for the job search, this workshop examine nuts and bolts, best practices, and key areas to consider to draft a strong educator resume!

Tuesday, February 24
4:00 – 5:30pm SAC 151

Tell Me About Yourself 101

This workshop will help you build confidence in approaching and talking to potential employers at job fairs. Specifically scheduled right before the job fair, this workshop will help you build confidence in approaching and talking to potential employers at the job fair. Attendees will work on perfecting their introduction to employers. With help from DePaul Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) mentor Lynn Gibson, you will leave knowing exactly what to say when an employer says, “Tell me about yourself.”

*Workshop is 9-10am; practice and critique of your answer is 10 – 10:30am

Friday, February 13
9:00 – 10:30am LPC TBD

University Internship Program (UIP) Orientation

*Please Note: All orientations are facilitated in webinar format. This is a prerequisite workshop for UIP and must be completed in order to enroll in an academic internship course to earn Experiential Learning credit. Students who have not yet secured an internship are welcome to attend this workshop.

The UIP Orientation provides you with the information you need to complete the enrollment process, and register for a University Internship Program course. In this workshop, you will learn the format and content of the UIP 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 350 and 367 courses, as well as how completing an internship can help you explore career paths, gain valuable experience and connect with professionals in your area of interest.

Note: For UIP Webinars, you will receive instructions via email the day before the scheduled webinar. An internet connection and the ability to hear audio is required to participate.

Tuesday, January 6
10:00 – 11:00am

Thursday, January 8
11:00am – 12:00pm

Monday, January 12
11:00am – 12:00pm

Tuesday, January 13
2:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday, January 28
1:00-2:00pm

Friday, February 6
12:00 – 1:00pm

Thursday, February 19
4:00 – 5:00pm

Monday, February 23
3:00 – 4:00pm

Thursday, March 5
3:30 – 4:30pm

Tuesday, March 10
2:00 – 3:00pm

Friday, March 13
9:30 – 10:30am

Wednesday, March 18
10:00 – 11:00am

Monday, March 23
11:00am – 12:00pm

Soup it Up! – Interview Preparation for Educators

How can I make the best impression in an interview? What is the best way to answer behavioral interview questions? Join us to answer these questions and more as you learn key components of how to prepare for a teaching interview in an educational setting. This workshop examines best practices, exploring traditional and unique questions straight from principals, and hands-on practice to prepare for various interview situations. Practices your interview skills in order to stand out and showcase what you have to offer!

Thursday, February 26
4:00 – 5:30pm SAC 151

Maximize Your Job & Internship Fair Experience

First impressions count! Learn how to approach employers and make a lasting first impression. DePaul’s Career Center hosts multiple Job & Internship Fairs throughout the academic year with hundreds of employers looking for candidates like you. This workshop helps you maximize the Job & Internship Fair as an opportunity to showcase your skills and abilities in an active job searching forum.
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projects and work with very talented people,” Garcia said. “I have the opportunity to learn about topics I like and apply that knowledge. Every day and every project that I work on here helps me to accomplish my goals,” Garcia added.

Kelsey Hershenhouse is an undergraduate student double-majoring in Marketing and Management. She works as a volunteer coordinator for the Alumni Sharing Knowledge program (ASK) which matches DePaul students with alumni career mentors. Her on-campus job allows her to put her marketing skills to good use by designing event flyers, managing ASK’s social media accounts, and promoting the program to students across both campuses. It’s something she’s proud of.

“I’ve been able to add my own style to my work which makes it fun,” Hershenhouse said, “then I also get to share it with the entire DePaul community.”

Her ultimate goal is to work as a senior marketing manager for a medical company or hospital. “My student job is the first step into the work I would like to pursue,” Hershenhouse said of the marketing experience she’s gained thus far.

Mariah Cowan is a graduate student in the Digital Communications and Media Arts program at DePaul, and works as a communications assistant for the Career Center. Cowan is responsible for writing and editing the Career Center’s bi-weekly e-newsletter, updating social media and the blog, as well as managing email campaigns and marketing materials.

Cowan’s dream job is to work for a major public relations firm or a mass media company or fashion magazine, although she acknowledges anything is possible. “As long as I am able to creatively turn visions into reality, I will be happy with my career,” Cowan said.

Cowan’s on-campus job has better prepared her for a future in digital communications and copywriting. “Before this job, I didn’t consider it, but now I’m certain I will be seeking copywriting positions in the future,” Cowan said. “Everything that I do at this job will benefit my future success and I’m grateful to have it.”

Mix has some great advice for students who are interested in landing an on-campus job. First, he recommends that students have their resumes and cover letters reviewed by a career advisor or peer career advisor in the Career Center. Secondly, students should take advantage of networking opportunities on campus with professors, advisors and other professionals.

After they’ve polished their resume and cover letters, DePaul students can create a job profile on OSE’s Campus Job Board at studentemployment.depaul.edu, where every on-campus job is listed.

DePaul’s on-campus jobs give students the opportunity to gain experience in their career field before graduating. Start preparing for your future career today. Visit studentemployment.depaul.edu.