CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS

## **Career Fair Assignment**

Using the provided resources for guidance and support, attend the Career & Internship Fair and initiative conversations with at least three employers about career opportunities. Following the Career & Internship Fair, write an essay describing the event, your perspective, and thoughts about attending and outcomes or next steps.

## Assignment goals:

1. Student attends a Ferris State University Career & Internship Fair and initiates conversations with three or more employers about career opportunities.

2. Student prepares and submits a professional resume to use in conversations with employers.

3. Student submits a 400–500-word reflection about your experience and impressions of the event.

## Resources for student use:

- Career Fair Prep Workshops provided by the Career and Professional Success Office
- Career Fair / Employer List in Handshake (located in MyFSU)
- Prepare for the Fair Handout (pdf)
- Career Fair Myths and Realities Handout (pdf)
- Dress for Success Handout (pdf)
- Elevator Pitch Handout (pdf)

## Reflection prompts:

1. What were your feelings when entering the Career & Internship Fair? What did you feel confident or nervous about?

- 2. Describe the event: atmosphere, attendance, organization, etc.
- 3. What surprised you about the event? What concerned you?
- 4. Which companies did you approach for conversations and why?
- 5. Describe how your conversations went: what went well, what did not go well and why.
- 6. What were you feeling when leaving the Career & Internship Fair?
- 7. What would you do differently when attending your next Career & Internship Fair?
- 8. What next steps, if any, will you take to follow through on your contacts?