# **Job Search Plan**

# **INTERVIEWING & NEGOTIATING**

- What do I have to offer?
- Why should this employer hire me?
- Identify financial needs
- Salary data

Action Items:

### **CAREER ADVISING**

Get your job-search questions answered:

#### **Career Advising**

NOVA career advisors are available to speak with you to discuss your job-search needs by phone or by Zoom. Contact our front desk to make an appointment: 408-730-7232.

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#### WORKSHOPS

#### **INTERVIEWING & NEGOTIATING Summary Statement**

Learn to answer questions about your background and general experience.

#### **Accomplishment Stories**

Learn to create short stories that describe your skills and experience in an interesting and engagin way.

#### Sandwiching Negatives

Learn to respond to employers' questions about negative situations in a positive and professional way.

#### Negotiations

Learn to handle questions about salary from the phone screen through the job offer.

#### **Coding Whiteboard Practice**

Whiteboard tests are an integral part of technical interviews. This workshop provides a place to practice coding problems and receive feedback from your peers.

#### **Behavior-based Interviewing**

Prepare for tough questions asking how you handled specific situations in the past, including both successes and failures.

#### **CAREER NAVIGATION**

#### Working in a Virtual World

This workshop will explore how to effectively interview and prepare for a job in the virtual world.

#### Contracting 101

This workshop will highlight how the job market has shifted toward increased contract work.

#### **Communication Essentials**

This two-day workshop series features skill development in communication, facilitation, and collaboration.

# **Interviewing & Negotiating Activities**

Here are some activities to assist you in moving forward with defining your focus.

# **Interview Techniques**



Create a summary statement

- Create targeted PSRs
- Create sandwiches
- Research salary ranges
- Create list of questions to ask an employer
- Draft a thank you letter

## Research



Research employer (products, values, industry, competitors)

- Identify people you know at companies you are interviewing
- Research people you will be interviewing with to target responses

## Negotiating



Research current salary rates

Define what you want in a compensation package

### Next steps:

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