

## K-STATE CES AIDES STUDENTS IN FINDING JOBS



Thousands of Kansas Staters are aided in seeking employment each semester by Career and Employment Services (CES). The spring semester is continuously busy, with graduating seniors searching for work and juniors searching for internships while sophomores and freshmen are searching for full or part-time jobs for the summer. CES offers training, networking, career advising and other resources to K-State community members. "Our goal is to help students get employed," said Joy Hill, the assistant director for the College of Business Administration. "It can be anything from getting a freshman a part-time job, to a senior graduating in May looking for a full-time position. We also help students get ready for graduate school, critique resumes, prepare for interviews and get internships." There are multiple networking events held throughout the year that are run by CES with a couple career fairs held at the K-State Student Union. "We know that employers are more likely to hire someone who they have a network connection with, rather than someone simply sending a resume through a random job site," Hill said. "Students are better served meeting employers and building a connection by attending career fairs, an in-class presentation or a face-to-face Friday. It's all about personal networking." CES also aides alumni who are one year out of college along with spouses of K-Staters, administration, faculty, and others from the K-State community. There were over 6,000 jobs listed on the website for CES last fall. "I'm looking forward to working with CES because I've been trying to find a job outside of Kansas, which is very difficult unless you have connections," said Hannah Manry, senior in mathematics and statistics. "It's also hard to get a good feel for companies online, so I'm hoping they can help me make that personal connection, provide contacts and find me places that are looking to hire or take interns this summer." An assistant director for each college at the school works with students to find employment and to help build stronger resumes. Those assistant directors also help students get involved in the proper activities on campus that would help them with their career goals. "I visited Career and Employment Services right when I came to K-State as a freshman," said Madeline Sanders, a sophomore in the food science and industry major. "I had a resume from high school, but those aren't always the best, so my adviser suggested I go to CES and have it reviewed. They helped me make it more professional and more effective." Hill also said that CES faculty members work with students to help them plan for after their graduation. "The people who work here, and I don't say this lightly, are really some of the greatest people on this campus," Hill said. "They're hardworking people who care a ton about students, and literally just work all day long dedicated to helping students find jobs. Why wouldn't you use that resource?"

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