

Network your way to the top



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Searching for a job can often be a challenge. The competition is fierce and advertised positions get hundreds, if not thousands of applicants. In order to gain the upper hand, networking is key.

In reality, 80% of jobs are never advertised. These jobs are part of the hidden job market. In order to tap into this vast network, connections are important.

This is where networking comes into play. By talking with people, you get leads on up and coming positions. Employers often prefer hiring people they know to a stranger.

The following are some valuable tips to help with your networking strategy :

Be involved

Those who never attempt, do not reap the benefits. By joining clubs and being involved in your community, you gain many new acquaintances who might know of potential job opportunities.

Establish contacts

You can build contacts with family, friends, neighbours, co-workers, teachers... They can furnish you with the appropriate information and necessary resources.

Volunteer

By volunteering in your field, you open the doors to new possibilities and cross paths with many influential people.

Join the crowd

At a job fair, you might try entering into conversation in a crowd, and then asking the recruiter for their contact information.

Cold calls

Call the Human Resources department or the contact directly. Ask if there are available positions in your field. Be specific, ask for a brief meeting to discuss any openings, and leave your contact information.

Be organized

Keep a list of your contacts so that you remember with whom you have spoken.

Be persistent

The most successful people do not give up easily. They pursue their goals even after disappointment. Keep at it and eventually you will get the job you desire.

Saint-Laurent Job Fair October 17th & 18th

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