Career Services

Mission Statement
Career Services & Leadership Development’s (CSLD) mission is to equip our diverse student and alumni population with modern resources that assist, guide, and foster their leadership, professional and career advancement. Through advances in technology and with staff ready to go the extra mile, we provide students with tools to take initiative and excel in their future endeavors.

Career Workshop & Events
Resume & Cover Letter Writing, Networking Skills, Professional Interviewing, LinkedIn and Personal Branding, Job Searching, Part-Time Job Fairs, Graduate School and Career Fairs.

Employer Information Sessions & Special Events
CSLD connects employers with students through information sessions, employer-led workshops, speaker panels and class guest speaking engagements.

On-Campus Interviews (OCI)
Qualified students may opt to interview with Bay Area employers on campus for full-time career positions and internship opportunities. Click Jobs from top menu and select On-Campus Interviews.

Career Counseling
Career counselors provide coaching and counseling to students on a variety of topics including job/internship search strategies, interviewing tips, grad school, choosing a major, finding a career with your major, career planning, enhancing your resume and more.

Appointment
Schedule a 30-minute appointment with a career counselor by logging into Handshake: sfsu.joinhandshake.com/appointments.

Drop-In Hours
Meet with our Career Ambassadors to get quick career advice and resume critique (10-15 minute sessions). Limited availability, first-come, first-served.

About us
Leadership Development
Our goal is to give students and alumni access to leadership and professional development opportunities in preparation for successful entry into the workforce.

President’s Leadership Fellows Program (PLFP)
PLFP provides students with the soft skills that employers seek in job candidates. Students accepted to PLFP participate in workshops focusing on leadership, teamwork, critical thinking, and unconscious bias, and how to apply them in meaningful and relevant ways as they transition to job readiness.

Leadership Empowerment Series
A CSLD leadership development series of workshops. The goal is to create supportive communities that teach, motivate & empower our diverse student and alumni population with modern skills and information.

Lunch/Learn/Lead Series
A CSLD series that focuses on your continuous learning and growth opportunities.

VC Fast Pitch
CSLD in collaboration with Scott Kelly, SF State Alumni and Founder/CEO of Black Dog Venture Partners, presents a 2-part series on Preparing Your Company For Investors. A VC Fast Pitch Conference will be held on April 24th where participants will have the opportunity to pitch and network with venture capitalists, angels and accredited investors from Silicon Valley and throughout the country.

Platforms
Handshake
Looking for a job or internship? Start your search with Handshake, CSLD’s online career platform. You’ll find jobs, including on-campus, part-time and full-time opportunities, as well as internships and info about career-related events happening on and off campus.

Activate your account at sfsu.joinhandshake.com/login. Click San Francisco State University SSO and enter your SF State credentials.

Big Interview
A simple platform to enhance your interview skills. Big Interview provides video lessons and a hands-on mock interview tool to help you land your next job.

Register with your campus email at sfsu.biginterview.com.

Gator Connect
GatorConnect helps students and alumni succeed before, during, and after college through connections and community.

Activate your account at gatorconnect.sfsu.edu. Click SFSU ID LOGIN and enter your SF State credentials.
Calendar of Events

SPRING 20

Presented by CSLD
* Professional Headshots on Tuesdays, go to sfsu.joinhandshake.com/appointments

February

3  Resume Lab  
   Rosa Parks A-C, 12 pm-1:30 pm

5  LinkedIn Lab  
   Rosa Parks A-C, 12 pm-1:30 pm

6  Spring Part-Time Job Fair  
   Jack Adams Hall, 12 pm-3 pm

8  Cover Letter Lab  
   Rosa Parks A-C, 12 pm-1:30 pm

13  Interview Lab  
   Rosa Parks A-C, 12 pm-1:30 pm

19  PLFP: Orientation  
   *exclusive program for members

19  Lunch, Learn, Lead: Ted Talk Discussion  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

24  Internship & Job Search Strategies  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

25  Leadership Empowerment Series:  
    Women in Leadership Part 1: Developing a Leader Mindset  
    SSB 401, 4 pm-5:30 pm

26  PLFP: Orientation  
    *exclusive program for members

March

3  Resume Lab  
   Rosa Parks A-C, 12 pm-1:30 pm

4  Leadership Empowerment Series:  
    Women in Leadership Part 2: Building a Success Squad  
    SSB 404, 4 pm-5:30 pm

6  PLFP: Emotional Intelligence  
    *exclusive program for members

8  Resume Café  
   SSB 301, 12 pm-1 pm

9  Major & Career Exploration  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

10 Leadership Empowerment Series:  
   Women in Leadership Part 3: Empowered Communication  
   SSB 401, 4 pm-5:30 pm

11 PLFP: LinkedIn Workshop  
    *exclusive program for members

12 Lunch, Learn, Lead: Ted Talk Discussion  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

17 Networking for Introverts  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

18 PLFP: Leadership Skills  
    *exclusive program for members

   PLFP: Financial Literacy  
    *exclusive program for members

April

1  PLFP: Resume & Cover Letter Tips  
    *exclusive program for members

2  How to Work a Career Fair  
   SSB 401, 12 pm-1 pm

6  Resume Café  
   SSB 301, 12 pm-1 pm

6  VC Fast Pitch: Preparing Your Company For Investors (Part II: How to Find and Pitch Your Business to Investors)  
   SSB 401, 5 pm-6:30 pm

7  Resume Café  
   SSB 301, 12 pm-1 pm

7  Leadership Empowerment Series:  
    Women in Leadership Part 4: Women’s Leadership Panel  
    Rosa Parks A-C, 4 pm-5:30 pm

8  Resume Café  
   SSB 301, 12 pm-1 pm

8  PLFP: Financial Literacy  
    *exclusive program for members

   PLFP: Resume & Cover Letter Tips  
    *exclusive program for members

9  Spring Career Fair  
   Mashouf Wellness Center, 12 pm-3 pm

13 LinkedIn Lab  
   LIB 244, 12 pm-3:30 pm

15  Cover Letter Lab  
   LIB 244, 12 pm-1:30 pm

16  Interview Lab  
   LIB 21, 12 pm-1 pm

20  Lunch, Learn, Lead: Ted Talk Discussion  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

22  PLFP: Certificate Ceremony  
    *exclusive program for members

23  Thriving at Work  
   SSB 404, 1 pm-3 pm

24  VC Fast Pitch: VC Fast Pitch Conference  
   DTW, 9 am-4 pm

30  Is Grad School Right For Me?  
   SSB 404, 12 pm-1 pm

June

24  College to Career Boot Camp  
   LIB 21, 10 am - 3 pm

   Hosted by The Institute for Civic & Community Engagement

2/4 & Internship & Service Learning Fair  
   Cesar Chavez Main Quad, 10 am-1 pm

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2/24 Meet the Firms  
   Jack Adams Hall, 6 pm-8:30 pm

3/12 Hospitality & Tourism Career Expo No. CA  
   Annex I, 10 am-1 pm

3/7 Teacher, SLPs, Career & Hiring Fair  
   Annex I, 1 pm-4 pm

3/10 Engineering Fair  
   Annex I, 2 pm-5 pm

3/24 Engineering Student Organizations  
   Annex I, 2 pm-5 pm

3/30 Career Exploration & Employer Events  
   https://cob.sfsu.edu/events/calendar

   Hosted by the Lam Family College of Business  
   Career Service & Professional Development Center

   Career Exploration & Employer Events  
   https://cob.sfsu.edu/careerservices

   Hosted by Division of Graduate Studies  
   SF State Graduate School Application Workshops & More  
   http://grad.sfsu.edu/content/upcoming-events-and-workshops

   Hosted by CSLD  
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   All events are subject to change or cancellation. For up-to-date information, please visit sfsu.joinhandshake.com

   *PLFP: President’s Leadership Fellows Program