

Before You Start Your Search

Become knowledgeable about the industry you wish to pursue. This will give you an edge when it comes to effectively preparing yourself for the search. Factors to consider when researching industries include trends, skills in demand, impact of technology, products and services in demand, new and upcoming companies and geographic areas experiencing growth and decline. Next, identify companies in the desired industry that will be a good fit for your talents and skills. Demonstrating that you have researched a company can set you apart from other candidates.

Check out these resources in addition to lists on Handshake and our website:

LinkedIn | Hoovers.com | *Fast Company* | Glassdoor | *Los Angeles Business Journal*

On the following pages are some common examples of strategies used by other Harvey Mudd students

Networking – information sessions, fairs and other events

Career fairs – on and off-campus

Handshake – shared career management system used by The Claremont Colleges

On-campus recruiting through Handshake – on-campus interviews

LinkedIn – job and internship postings

LinkedIn Group – Harvey Mudd College Alumni Association

MuddCompass – networking platform exclusively for Mudd alumni and students

Company visits – Clinic visits

Employment agencies – contract to permanent

Professional associations – publications and conferences

