

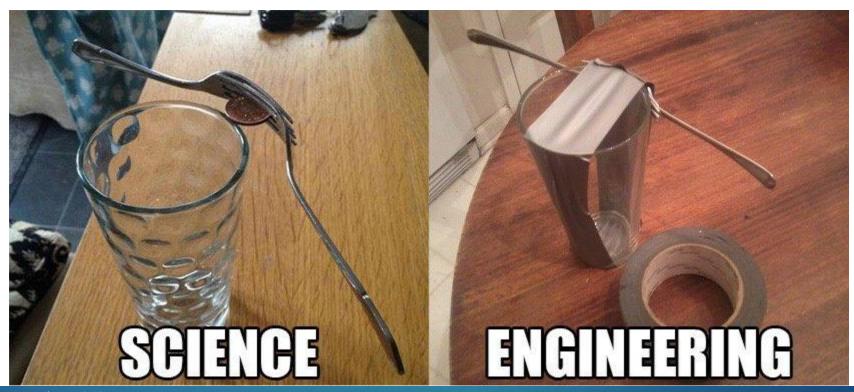
# Networking & Resumes

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# Physics & Engineering

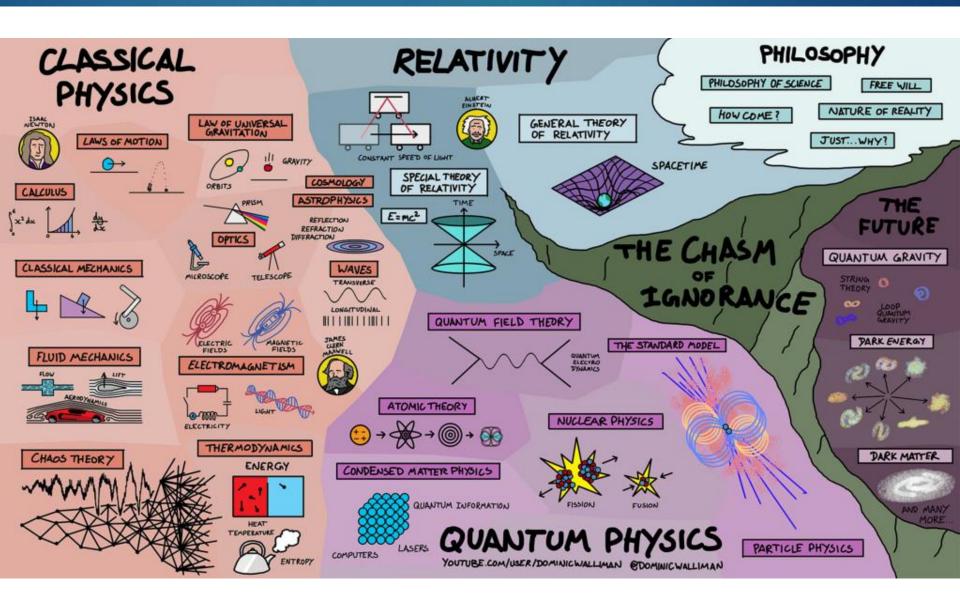


- Connecting academic fields to job titles
- Connecting job postings to hiring strategies
- Why networking?
- Updating your resume



# Physics





# Engineering





# Physics: field → title



Academia:

Undergrad

Grad student

Postdoctoral researcher

Faculty member

- Many options for transitions out after any level on this track
- Government (ex: Fermilab):

Post-doctoral researcher

Associate Scientist Scientist 1

Scientist 2

Scientist 3

▶ Job description will include the type/category of science

# Physics: field → title



- Industry: searches for "physics" will often return post-PhD job options
  - Ex: Honeywell career site, search "physicist"
  - Notice these jobs are posted in the "engineering" category on their search site!

### Atomic Physicist - Honeywell Quantum Solutions

Engineering | req220131

Job available in 2 locations 🗸

Our outstanding team of scientists and engineers leverages expertise in complex hardware and software control systems, advanced optics and lasers, magnetics, cryogenics, atomic physics, and ultra-high...

### Master's, not PhD!

## Advanced Physicist - Cryogenics

303 S. Technology Ct., Broomfield, Colorado, 80021, United States | Engineering | HRD96071

When you join our team, you will be working to design and build systems with world leading performance, such as best-in-class environmental controls including, state-of-the-art low and ultra-low temperature...

# Physicist/Mathematician - Honeywell Quantum Solutions

303 S. Technology Ct., Broomfield, Colorado, 80021, United States | Engineering | reg224481

You will have an understanding and experience in quantum circuit analysis, quantum error correction and computational approaches & optimization problems for a variety of different applications. In this...

# Engineering: field → title



Engineering jobs are also usually not coded to the name of your degree!

## Sales Engineer

- Works directly with customers to understand their project
- Creates initial specifications in order to offer a price quote to customers
- Lots of variety the details and "doing" are passed on to others

### **Applications Engineer**

- Design products
- Analysis-heavy: simulation of solids, fluids, electronics, etc, to support product design

### Design/Process Engineer

- Create specific design details for elements of a product
- Create the manufacturing specifications and procedures

### Manufacturing Engineer

- Maintain equipment required for manufacturing products
- Design new equipment (or improve existing) for new projects

### **Quality Engineer**

- Perform statistical analysis for correctness and consistency of manufacturing
- Improve processes or implement controls to ensure consistent quality

### Research & Development Engineer

- Develop new ideas for products or technologies
- Implement new technological advances into existing products

# Engineering: field >> title



- Engineering progression
  - Basic idea every company will differ

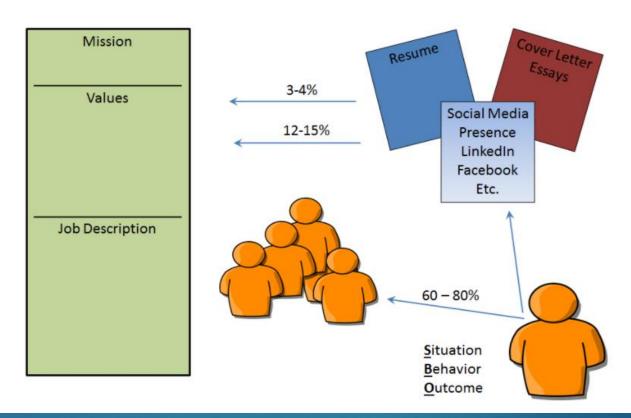


Management vs Engineering tracks

# Behavior-based philosophy



- History is the best predictor of future success
- Employers create job descriptions from their mission & values
- ► They want to know how your experiences align with their needs



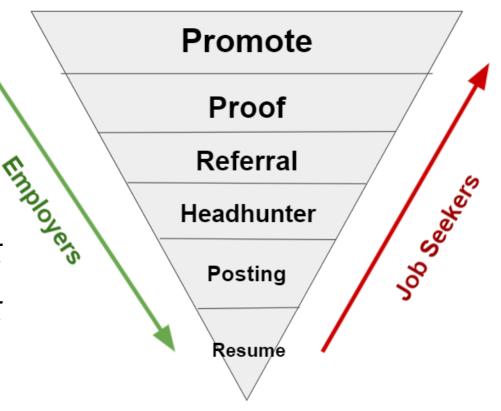
# How jobs are filled



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  - Costs \$\$!
  - Costs time!

Referral bonuses

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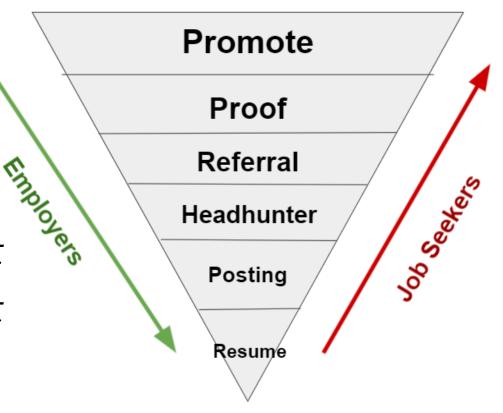
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# Building your network



- Talk to people about your job hopes!
- School, hobbies, volunteering, parents

## Internal

- LinkedIn
- Social media
- Contact info on job postings or company webpages

## Online

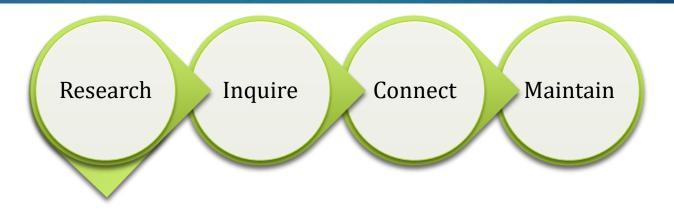
How many people do you know? Who has the biggest "internal" network?

- Job fairs
- Campus events
- Community events
- Conferences

**Events** 

# Building your network

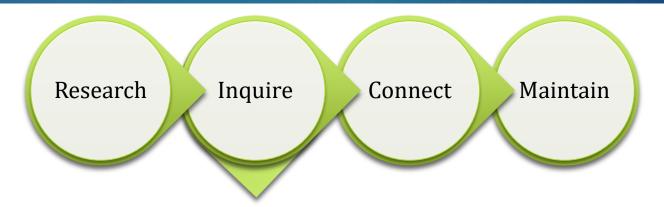




- https://www.onetonline.org/
  - Compendium of info and statistics on many many job titles
- https://www.linkedin.com
  - Search school alumni, or by association with CERN, Fermilab, particle physics, etc
- Graduate school "research" pages (physics, ECE, biosciences, etc)
  - Find info on faculty members, research projects, current students

# Building your network



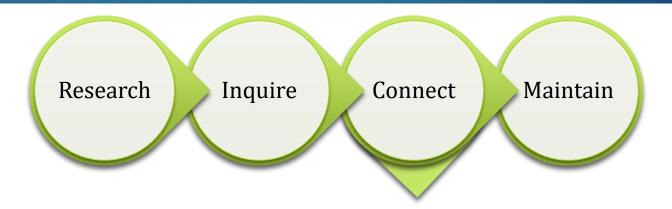


- Assessor versus Ally strategy
- "Can you get me a job at your company?"
  - Casts this connection as an assessor
  - ► They are more defensive, given role of judging you
- "Can you tell me a little about your job/company?"
  - Casts this connection as an ally no immediate "ask"

Gets them talking about themselves

## Informational Interviews

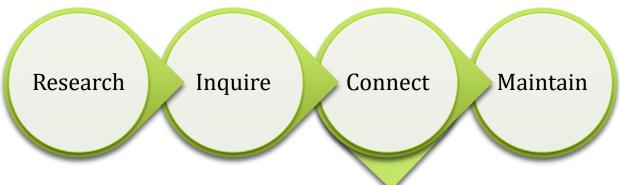




- Informational interviews
  - ► Have a conversation with someone in a job/field that interests you!
- Know your objective: have tailored questions for this person
- Keep it professional: not coffee with a friend, networking!
- ► Keep on target: respect their time with questions that fit in ~30 minutes (unless they volunteer more time)

## Informational Interviews

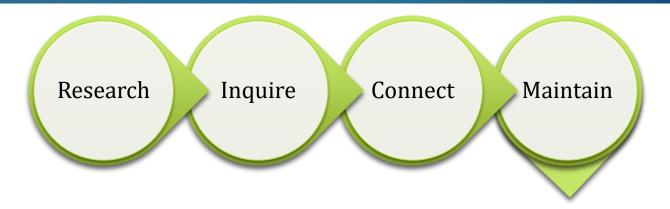




- Example questions:
  - ▶ Would you tell me your story? How did you get here professionally?
  - How does your job relate to your training in school?
  - What do you do on a typical day?
  - Can you describe some of your projects and the tools/techniques?
  - What do you like best/least about your job/company/field?
  - What has been the hardest thing to learn in your position?
  - ► What advice would give someone in my position? Any pitfalls to watch out for?

## Informational Interviews





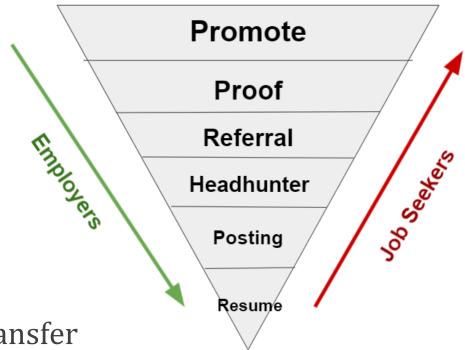
- May I stay in touch with you periodically?
- Would you recommend anyone else I could meet to hear their story?
- After your connection: THANK THEM!
  - ▶ Email is fine
  - Follow through on following up

## Resumes



Your resume communicates your "brand" to the world

- Contact information
- Skills
- Education
- Job experience
- Other experience



- Goal is FAST information transfer
  - Pass the computerized keyword search!
  - ► Make sure a 30-second glance shows someone the highlights

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## Resumes



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- On Indico:
  - General example
  - Science-specific example
  - My old resume!

# What common formatting features do you see in the examples?

## Name & contact



- Your resume communicates your "brand" to the world
- Contact information
  - NAME! Biggest thing they see
  - **EMAIL!**

## First Name Last Name

LinkedIn, etc

St. Paul, MN • 651-638-0000 • student@bethel.edu • LinkedIn URL

- Phone
- Location (not full address)

## First & Last Name

St. Paul, MN • 651-000-0000 • student@bethel.edu • LinkedIn URL

### Science Student

St. Paul, MN • 651-638-1000 • student@bethel.edu • LinkedIn URL

## Julie E. Managan

1588 Harlan Drive, Danville CA, 94526 • (925) 708-2108 • julie.e.managan@vanderbilt.edu

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## Courses / Skills



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- Skills
  - From courses?
  - From hobbies?
  - From jobs?

### RELATED COURSES:

Media Communication Group Communication Ethics: Theory & Practice Advanced Public Speaking Organizational Communication Social & Political Philosophy

## **CAREFUL!!**

### Profile:

- Career Goal: graduate study leading to research position in particle physics
- Research skills: ROOT program, data logistics, material property simulations
- Computer skills: Unix, C/C++, Perl, grid computing (PBS)

### Skills

- Extensive leadership experience resulting in stronger team and individual performance.
- Strong written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills as shown through a marketing internship.
- Highly effective critical thinker and team member developed by three years retail sales experience.

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# Beware of jargon!



Hi (Bethel Prof) -

Just wanted to give you some feedback – we did get several applications from Bethel students, so wherever you announced/posted had some impact. Thanks for that!

It might be good to also let them know they have resources at Bethel to help them with resumes ... I can certainly relate what it's like to be someone who has to read over a stack of resumes in a short amount of time and pick only one or two to recommend... But certainly **let them know that a list of courses at Bethel isn't really sufficient** – they have to **point out what skills or knowledge** they have that **applies to the posting**.

(3M manager)

## Education



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**Education:** 

- Contact information
- Skills
- Education
  - University & location
  - Anticipated graduation
  - ► GPA (unless it's poor...), perhaps honors

### EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

Bethel University, St. Paul, MN GPA: 3.9, Summa Cum Laude Honors:

Dean's list past 4 semesters Sigma Zeta (Science Honors) Anticipated Graduation: May 2018

Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN

Honors in Physics, summa cum laude

College of Arts & Sciences

B.A. in Physics, 2009

Minor: General Music

Tri Beta (Honor Society for Biology and related majors)
Phi Theta Kappa (Honor Society for college juniors)

### Education

**Bachelor of Arts in Business**, Emphasis in Marketing Bethel University, St. Paul, MN

Minor in Psychology

Expected Completion: May 2023

# Job experience



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  - Where, when
  - Bullets for responsibilities
  - ACTION WORDS
  - ► BE SPECIFIC

# **Teaching Assistant**, Philosophy Dept, Bethel **2019**

- Created an organizational system to ef
- Graded, cataloged, and sorted student:
- Planned class discussion questions and

Resident Assistant, Bethel University | St. Paul, MN

September 2019 - May 2020

- Provided counseling, mediation, and friendship for 30 freshman and 10 sophomore women
- Coordinated group of 250 people and small group of 30 in educational activities and social events
- · Developed time management, prioritization, and team-building skills
- Assessed spiritual, social, educational and physical needs of residents; encouraged, confronted, redirected

## Job experience



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Sales Intern, Beth E.L. Products, Inc., St. Paul, MN

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May 2017 - May 2018

- Co-led a team that facilitated product price adjustments to increase revenue by 10% and decrease expense costs by 5%.
- Collaborated as a team member in marketing development and implementation of new products.
- Researched marketing trends in social media, such as Facebook and Twitter.
- Implemented a new accounting system to facilitate in-depth up-to-date reporting.
- Worked with a team on two \$20,000+ projects in order to purchase, prepare, and more efficiently manage sales products.

# Other experience



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- Other experience
  - **ENGINEERING!!**
  - PHYSICS!!
  - Volunteering, etc

Research Experience:

- Vanderbilt University High Energy Physics group

2007 - 2009

- Optimized the REDDnet data logistics network for the CMS Tier-3 data center at Vanderbilt
- Learned about the challenges of "big data", using grid computing systems, and the ROOT software program.
- Three weeks at CERN as part of the McMinn Scholarship.

proton radiation therapy.

- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Beam Research group
  - Modeled surface flashover of annular dielectrics in high gradient electric fields for development of the Dielectric Wall Accelerator, a compact accelerator designed for

2007

- Presented a research poster at LLNL undergraduate poster session.

- Publications: J. R. Harris, D. Blackfield, G. J. Caporaso, Y. J. Chen, S. Hawkins, M. Kendig, B. Poole, D. M. Sanders, M. Krogh, and J. E. Managan, "Vacuum Insulator Development for the Dielectric Wall Accelerator", J. Appl. Physics 104 023301 (2008).
  - J.E. Managan and J.R. Harris, "Simulation of Electron Trajectories Inside an Annular Dielectric". U.S. Dept. of Energy Journal of Undergraduate Research 8 (2008), 252.

#### RELATED EXPERIENCE

Lab Technician

Biochem, Inc., St. Paul, MN

- Conduct a variety of experiments and tests to determine product safety
- Generate lab samples for evaluation
- Assist on project to reduce impurities in experimental sanitizing agents

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Leadership • Victory A Cappella choir, Musical Director

Experience: • National Honor Society Member

## Campus & Community Involvement

**President** - Bethel Business and Economics Association **Captain** - Bethel University Soccer Team **Volunteer** - Habitat for Humanity, Minneapolis, MN

### CROSS CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Youth Advisor, Teen Ministries | Cape Coast, Ghana

Led and directed two small groups of 10 teenage students

## Brainstorm



How will you add this summer's experience to your resume?

Skills you're building?

Techniques you're learning?

Bullet point descriptors?

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