# CAREER 101

GET PUMPED FOR SOME SWEET CAREER ADVICE!



### PLAN FOR MEETING



RESUME CRITIQUE/LINKEDIN/HANDSHAKE



- HOW TO INTERVIEW LIKE A SUPER-STAR!
- HOW TO STAY MOTIVATED!

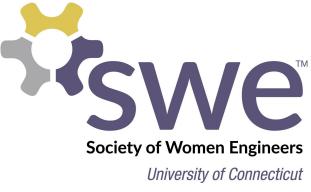




### RESUME BASICS

- LIMIT RESUME TO 1 PAGE
- BE DESCRIPTIVE BUT BRIEF
- CUSTOMIZE YOUR RESUME TO THE
   JOB/POSITION YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
- HIGHLIGHT YOUR SKILLS AND WHAT MAKES
   YOU STAND OUT
- READ IT, RE-READ IT, AND READ IT AGAIN!





### Big and Bold! Make sure to include GPA Use bullets to explain relevant projects/research experience Relevant work experience or leadership/management positions are great to have Clubs, volunteering, etc.

### FIRSTNAME LASTNAME

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### OBJECTIVE

Seeking an entry-level mechanical engineering position exercising skills in design, analysis, and application of complex engineering solutions

### **EDUCATION**

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT Bachelor of Science in Engineering, May 20XX

Major: Mechanical Engineering; GPA: #.#/4.0

### **ENGINEERING PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

Pratt & Whitney, East Hartford and Storrs, CT

Senior Capstone Design Project: Turbine Guide Vane Damping System, August 20XX - May 20XX

- Conducted literature review on potential damping solutions for jet engine turbine guide vanes
- · Completed design and instrumentation of testing rig and procedures for new damping system
- · Performed damper testing and analysis of resulting date with Matlab to determine damping improvement

### UConn School of Engineering, Storrs, CT

Dynamics of Particles and Rigid Bodies Course Project, Spring 20XX

- Simultaneously simulated both planetary and lunar orbital motion using Matlab and numerical methodologies Electrical Circuits Academic Design Project, Fall 20XX
- Designed, built, and tested a 4-band audio equalizer within given specifications and parameters
   CAD Modeling and Graphing Course Final Project, Spring 20XX
  - Created and assembled a parameterized model of a watch using Unigraphics Nx

### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

Baumann Propane, Wallingford, CT

Crew Chief, Summers 20XX - 20XX

Supervised work crews in the following tasks:

- · Pressure washed, removed rust, and applied protective enamel coating to reusable liquid propane gas canisters
- · Oversaw and organized efficient schedule for the work crew of one-three team members each day

### Creative Special Events Management, Cheshire, CT

Event Specialist, Summers/Weekends 20XX - 20XX

- Unloaded and set up event features such as tents, chairs, tables, and dance floors, ensuring safety procedures
  are followed at venues holding up to 200 individuals
- Worked part-time to help fund educational expenses

### ACTIVITIE

Wallingford Hockey Club, Member, Wallingford, CT, November 20XX – Present Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, UConn, Storrs, CT, December 20XX – May 20XX Longboard Club, UConn, Storrs, CT, September 20XX – May 20XX Intramural Hockey and Soccer, UConn, Storrs, CT, September 20XX – May 20XX

### COMPUTER SKILLS

CAD: Unigraphics Nx, AutoCAD, Google SketchUp; Analysis: Matlab, Ansys, LabVIEW



Don't forget to include what skills you have!!!

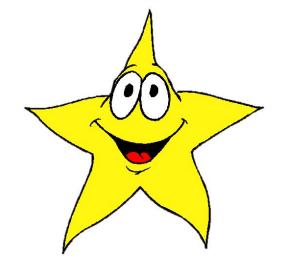
## HOW TO INTERVIEW LIKE A SUPERSTAR!



Situation – What was the project/task?



Task – What was your role in the project?



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Action – What specifically did YOU do to complete task?



Result – What was the outcome? Was the project successful?



Impact – Why was project/task important?

# **Workshop Time**

### HOW TO STAY MOTIVATED WHEN APPLYING FOR JOBS/INTERNSHIPS



### MOTIVATION

- MAKE LISTS TO HELP ORGANIZE YOUR THOUGHTS
   AND COME UP WITH GOALS FOR YOURSELF
- MAKE A LIST OF YOUR TOP COMPANIES
- REMEMBER, IT NEVER HURTS TO APPLY!
- TAKES TIME TO HEAR BACK FROM COMPANIES
- LOOK FOR UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES STARTUPS,
   RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES, ETC.
- Use UCONN's Resources



