

# Experiential Education & Career Services

Experiential Education & Career Services (EE&CS) supports the university's mission to maximize student potential by further enriching our academic programs with experiential and work-integrated learning. EE&CS achieves this purpose through a team of qualified career professionals by providing expert advising, an array of career services and strategic partnerships with employers, faculty and staff. The goal is to empower students to make effective career choices and identify and pursue internships, secure employment and navigate lifelong career direction.

EE&CS offers a variety of experiential learning programs and career services including internships, work-integrated learning, résumé critiques, mock interviews, career fairs, exposure to industry professionals, on-campus interviews and more. These services assist students in building skills to obtain employment and independently manage their careers.

EE&CS components include

- Internship opportunities available in most programs. Internship is designed to provide eligible students with practical work experience in their chosen field of study while they earn academic credit for the experience.
- Career management coursework and career advising from JWU faculty and EE&CS career advisors to ensure students develop essential workplace skills (e.g., teamwork, time management, problem-solving) that employers value
- One-on-one advising and workshops from career professionals who assist with career plan development, résumé enhancements, networking skills, mock interviews, virtual interviewing practice software, job search strategies and planning for graduate-level programs
- Career planning tools and resources including major-specific résumé examples vetted by industry, virtual interviewing practice software, career-related guidebooks, and career and industry research subscriptions
- Handshake, our online platform with access to job postings by employers who are looking to hire students for part- and full-time jobs (on and off campus) as well as internships
- Networking opportunities with employers and industry professionals representing a broad range of fields, who visit campus each year to participate in on-campus interviewing and recruiting events and serve as guest lecturers and classroom speakers

Students enrolled in the 90–96 credit Career-Focused Bachelor's Degree programs are required to complete 600 hours of Work-Integrated Learning (WIL) in order to graduate. Completion of these hours is intended to be achieved through meaningful part-time employment as well as other skill-building activities including, but not limited to, leadership in professional clubs, certificates, volunteering, research, competitions and job shadowing.

Note: The EE&CS department does not guarantee employment.

Students are encouraged to contact the EE&CS office for more details. For locations, hours and contact information, please consult the JWU Directory.