# How To Apply

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### **Be Prepared**

- Decide what you want and need
  Weigh your wants and needs
- o Know your history
  - Previous employers, previous salaries, addresses, contact info
- o Do your research
  - Learn about where you're applying
- Have your resume information handy
  - So frustrating to spend extra time searching for things!



### **Social Media Presence**

#### o LinkedIn

- o Lots of employers do look at this
- o Social media settings
  - How much are you sharing and making public, and what does your profile say about you?
- o Nothing truly is "hidden" on the internet
  - People have lost jobs before they've even started due to their social media history









#### **Be a Detective**

Learn their chain-of-command
 Names, contact information



- Research their website and company information
  - This information can help you evaluate what kind of employee they are looking for and what they want to accomplish as a business
- o Learn their mission, goals, target numbers, marketing plan, etc.
  - This information can help you fine tune your resume and cover letter to reflect the job and the company and shows you've taken the time to do your work



#### Please Don't...



- Reach out to companies via email or social media postings
- o Harass potential job leads
- Blast a company on social media
- Complain about your current job (on social media)
- Have lots of typos or crossed out things on application materials
- o Forget to include something important (application, resume, cover letter)
- Use abbreviations/slang in official communications
  Plz, kthnx, lol, emojis



#### Please Do...

- o Be confident
- Maintain a professional relationship
- Be flexible and demonstrate willingness
- Be patient with yourself and hiring managers







#### https://youtu.be/Uo0KjdDJr1c



## Lab Time Q & A

