Kicking Off Your Job Search: Strategies for a Great Game Plan

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Today's Presenter





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- 1. Prepare, Prepare, Prepare
- 2. Finances
- 3. Coming up with that Target List
- 4. Summary
- 5. Questions



Preparation is Key



- This job market is enormously competitive
- Internet has helped and hurt candidates
 - Leveled the playing field, job opportunities are easier to find
 - More people are applying to those job opportunities
 - Networking still plays a crucial role in the hidden job market
- LinkedIn
 - 95%+ of recruiters use LinkedIn to search for candidates
 - Majority of LinkedIn profiles are awful!
- Resume
- Who Are Your References?



Financial Review

Gather current statements including:

- Household budget
 - Monthly expenses for housing/food/utilities
- Banking/Savings
- Retirement accounts
- Loan obligations
- Other assets? Do you have things that you can sell?
- Status of your medical insurance?







Plan at least a three month search, longer if you:

- Are changing career fields
- Have 15+ years of experience
- Have a narrower career scope
- Live in a geographic area which does not cater to your career field

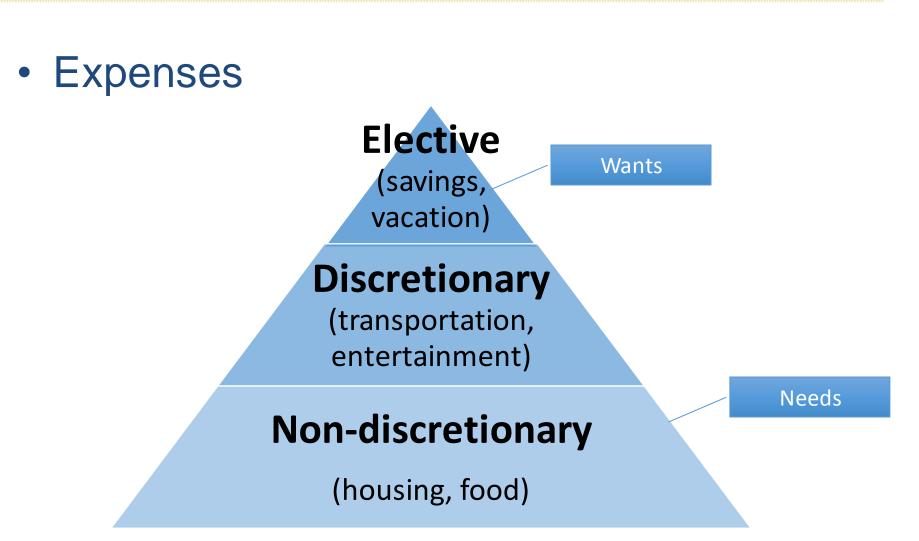




- Create and adhere to a budget
- Cut back or eliminate unnecessary expenses
- Assess how long you can go without income
- Determine alternate sources of income



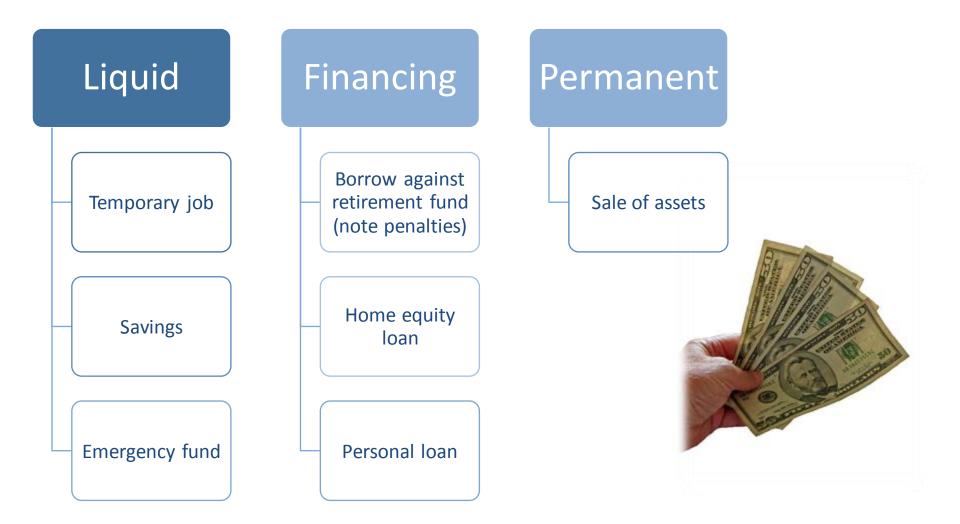
Financial Strategy: Expenses



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Financial Strategy: Alternate Income Sources





Financial Strategy: Duration without Income

Example:

\$12,000

= 12 months

\$1,000

Equal to: <u>Annual Projected Income</u> Average Monthly Expenses

What can you pull from savings or other sources?

What are you obligated to spend each month – housing/utilities/food?





Creating A Company Target List



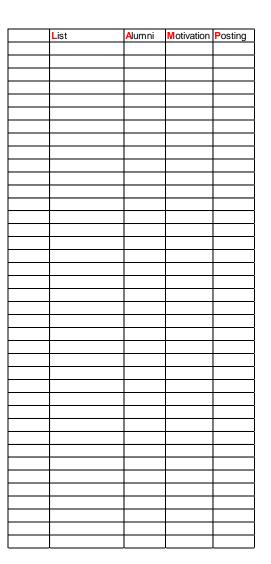
- Geographical
- Industry
- Function



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Build your Target List

List Alumni or Friends Motivation Posting









ObjectiveGet a target list of 40 companies

List

- Dream
- Alumni or Friends
- Postings
- Trends

	List	Alumni	Motivation	Posting
Dream	Google			
	McKinsey & Co.			
	Apple			
	Amazon			
	Boston Consulting Group			
	Bain & Company			
	Walt Disney			
	Nike			
	Deloitte			
	Goldman Sachs			
Alumni	Cisco			
	Genentech			
	PwC			
	Oracle			
	Intel			
	Wells Fargo			
	Kaiser Permanente			
	Pacific Gas & Electric			
	EY			
	Hewlett-Packard			
Posting	ECC			
	Safeway Corp.			
	Starbucks			
	GAP Inc.			
	Target			
	MV Transportation			
	Sutter Health			
	PetSmart			
	Taco Bell			
Trends	Shutterfly.com			
	REI			
	Sephora			
	Williams-Sonoma			
	Zazzle.com			
	DiscoveryStore.com			
	adidas.com			
	Crate&Barrel.com			
	BN.com			
	Wine.com			



Are there Alumni or Friends in...

- Company?
- Function?

Either:Y or N

	List	Alumni	Motivation Posting
Dream	Google	Y	
	McKinsey & Co.	Y	
	Apple	Y	
	Amazon	Y	
	Boston Consulting Group	Y	
	Bain & Company	N	
	Walt Disney	Y	
	Nike	Y	
	Deloitte	Y	
	Goldman Sachs	Y	
Alumni	Cisco	Y	
	Genentech	N	
	PwC	Y	
	Oracle	Y	
	Intel	Y	
	Wells Fargo	Y	
	Kaiser Permanente	Y	
	Pacific Gas & Electric	Y	
	EY	Y	
	Hewlett-Packard	Y	
Posting	ECC	N	
Ŭ	Safeway Corp.	Y	
	Starbucks	Y	
	GAP Inc.	Y	
	Target	Y	
	MV Transportation	N	
	Sutter Health	N	
	PetSmart	Y	
	Taco Bell	N	
Trends	Shutterfly	Y	
	REI	Y	
	Sephora	Y	1
	Williams-Sonoma	Y	
	Zazzle	N	1
	DiscoveryStore	N	1
	adidas	Y	
	Crate&Barrel	Y	
	Barnes & Noble	N	
	Wine	N	

Motivations



How much you like the company?

5 Dream company 4 ... 3...

- 2...
- 1 Unknown

	List	Alumni	Motivation	Posting
Dream	Google	Y	5	
	McKinsey & Co.	Y	4	
	Apple	Y	5	
	Amazon	Y	5	
	Boston Consulting Group	Y	4	
	Bain & Company	N	4	
	Walt Disney	Y	5	
	Nike	Y	5	
	Deloitte	Y	4	
	Goldman Sachs	Y	4	
Alumni	Cisco	Y	5	
	Genentech	N	3	
	PwC	Y	3	
	Oracle	Y	4	
	Intel	Y	4	
	Wells Fargo	Y	3	
	Kaiser Permanente	Y	2	
	Pacific Gas & Electric	Y	2	
	EY	Y	3	
	Hewlett-Packard	Y	4	
Posting	ECC	N	1	
	Safeway Corp.	Y	2	
	Starbucks	Y	4	
	GAP Inc.	Y	4	
	Target	Y	3	
	MV Transportation	Ν	1	
	Sutter Health	N	1	
	PetSmart	Y	3	
	Taco Bell	N	2	
Trends	Shutterfly	Y	4	
	REI	Y	3	
	Sephora	Y	3	
	Williams-Sonoma	Y	3	
	Zazzle	N	4	
	DiscoveryStore	N	3	
	adidas	Y	2	
	Crate&Barrel	Y	3	
	Barnes & Noble	N	2	
	Wine	N	1	

Postings



- How well do the current postings from each company match your criteria?
- Employer + Your Experience + Keyword = 4
- Employer + Your Experience = 3
- Employer = 2
- No Match = 1

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	Apple	Y	5	4
	Amazon	Y	5	3
	Boston Consulting Group	Y	4	2
	Bain & Company	N	4	2
	Walt Disney	Y	5	4
	Nike	Y	5	3
	Deloitte	Y	4	2
	Goldman Sachs	Y	4	2
Alumni	Cisco	Y	5	3
	Genentech	N	3	4
	PwC	Y	3	2
	Oracle	Ý	4	3
	Intel	Ý	4	3
	Wells Fargo	Y	3	2
	Kaiser Permanente	Y	2	4
	Pacific Gas & Electric	Y	2	3
	EY	Y	3	2
	Hewlett-Packard	Y	4	3
Posting	ECC	N	1	1
	Safeway Corp.	Y	2	2
	Starbucks	Y	4	2
	GAP Inc.	Y	4	3
	Target	Y	3	3
	MV Transportation	N	1	1
	Sutter Health	Y	1	4
	PetSmart	Y	3	2
	Taco Bell	N	2	2
Trends	Shutterfly	Y	4	2
	REI	Y	3	3
	Sephora	Y	3	3
	Williams-Sonoma	Ý	3	2
	Zazzle	N	4	2
	DiscoveryStore	N	3	2
	adidas	Y	2	3
	Crate&Barrel	Ý	3	4
	Barnes & Noble	N	2	2
	Wine	N	1	3

Prioritize



Sort your list as desired

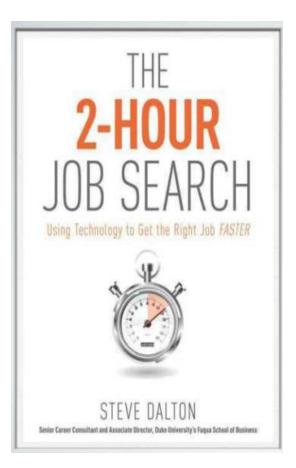
Recommend sorting by motivation, postings, and alumni (in that order)

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	PetSmart	Y	3	2
	Williams-Sonoma	Y	3	2
	DiscoveryStore	N N	3	2
	Kaiser Permanente	Y	2	4
	Pacific Gas & Electric	Y	2	3
	adidas	Y	2	3
	Safeway Corp.	Y	2	2
	Taco Bell	N	2	2
	Barnes & Noble	N	2	2
	Sutter Health	Y	1	4
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Recommended Reading



• <u>The 2-Hour Job Search</u>, by Steve Dalton



Summary



- Preparation is Key
- Have a Clear Timeline for how long your job search can take
- Stick to a Budget
- Build your Target List, Complete your LAMP!

Submit your questions via Chat





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