

Job Search Resources

You can learn about firms and organizations from their Websites and by reading articles in professional magazines. You can also find out about firms receiving awards on the Websites of professional organizations.

Reading jobs and internship advertisements is a great way to learn about "what's out there" and what is expected. Resources for jobs and internship listings include newspapers, Websites of professional organizations and on the Design Career Services Website.

Positions listed on the Design Career Services Website

- Go to the College of Design site, www.design.iastate.edu; then go to students and then Career Services.
- Jobs and Internships On-line, searchable by major, city and state. If you are actively seeking a job or internship, check the web site weekly for new listings.
- Read old listings as well. Firms that have advertised internships or full time positions in the past will most likely have positions each year.
- You may consider posting your resume on your professional organizations Website or other job search sites such as Monster.com; however, this is a passive approach and seldom leads to interviews.

Samples of Major related links on the DCS Website

Architecture

- American Institute of Architects: www.aia.org. Resources for the architecture profession, career information, accredited schools, articles and publications. Go to www.aiaaccess.com/ to search for firms by state
- ProFile: www.cmdfirstsource.com/profile/index.asp ProFile is a search engine for locating architecture firms in the United States
- American Institute of Architects, Iowa: www.aiaiowa.org
The site includes firm and chapter members, meetings, and annual awards

Art and Design

- Iowa Arts Council: www.state.ia.us/government/dca/
A valuable resource for the Iowa arts community including services for artists, workshops, public art, art in education and a link to area galleries
- MetroArts Alliance of Greater Des Moines: www.metroarts.org
An events calendar and list of member artists
- Association of Midwest Museums www.midwestmuseums.org/

Graphic Design

- American Institute of Graphic Arts: www.aiga.org. Links to national chapters; a directory of members and a national job bank with resume posting
- The Society of Environmental Graphic Designers (SEGD): www.segd.org/index.html. A great site

for environmental graphic design that includes a Job Bank and Design Awards

Interior Design

- American Society of Interior Designers (ASID): www.asid.org/. Information and resources to support the practice of interior design; events, continuing education and products
- International Interior Design Association (IIDA): www.IIDA.ORG/ Includes job listings, the member directory and industry links

Community and Regional Planning

- The American Planning Association (APA): www.planning.org/ Membership directory for APA; on-line database of job listings and universities offering academic programs in CRP
- APA Iowa Chapter. The site includes news and events and Links to related sites: www.iowa-apa.org/
- GIS Jobs Clearinghouse: www.gjc.org/ Free resume posting and links to other GIS Job Search sites
- Government Jobs- www.govtjobs.com Job Opportunities galore: categories include Community and Economic Development and Planning! You can sign up to have new jobs e-mailed to you!

Landscape Architecture

- American Society of Landscape Architecture (ASLA): www.asla.org/ LA Firms directory; JOBLINK includes resume posting and nationwide job listings
- American Society of Golf Course Architects: www.golfdesign.org/ Member architects, trends, and golf links

Additional sources for networking and finding positions

- Professional organizations, meetings, conferences and publications
- Professors
- The ISU Alumni Association maintains a searchable database of alumni on-line. The information is available for free to ISU Alumni and Student Alumni members
- Periodicals and trade magazines
- Regional Newspapers
- Websites-please let Margo know of any that you find useful and we will link them to our site
- Friends and relatives

Job search information available from Design Career Services

- A comprehensive Career Services website that includes Job Search Tools, a searchable on-line data base of jobs and internships, Links to Professional Organizations, etc.
- You may look at samples of resumes created by design students in 297 Design.
- Individual appointments to discuss any phase of your job search