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### Education Field
To teach in a higher education institute, you will require related experience in the industry before lecturing position. Some institutes may even require a doctorate will give you an edge in getting a teaching position. Some institutes may even require a PhD. But to teach in a primary or secondary school, you can be considered for the role.

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Supporting Employers with their Recruitment Exercises

Arrange recruitment talks and relevant events hosted by organizations from various sectors to offer students direct communication opportunities with employers and better understand the employers’ requirements, job opportunities and career prospects.

Providing Students with Job Information

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- Graduate Employment Survey
- Other services

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Visit the career e-learning portal “Careers Guidance Online” at http://cpdc.osa.cuhk.edu.hk to learn about how to prepare for job application and assessment.

I. Understand Yourself

Try to identify your interests, strengths and weaknesses. Develop self-awareness; be honest and as critical as you can about yourself. Writing self-analysis will help you notice if you are possibly influenced by some factors, such as social pressure, career expectations, etc.

II. Join more Extra-curricular Activities

Extracurricular activities are good platforms for students to gain experience and skills. Different types of extra-curricular activities will train you and develop some of your personal strengths. This will provide you with an active plan to harness these skills in time.

III. Take up Part-time Campus Job

In the early stage of your university life, you are encouraged to, at least, try some campus jobs. Whether you are going to work for 10 hours or 15 hours per week, you can gain experience, extra-curricular activities, skills and even a small income. This could help you get ready for your career.

IV. Pay Attention to the Market and Social/Industry Development

Keep an eye on the market development and various types of extra-curricular activities. Students who pay attention to the market development can get more opportunities.

V. Improve Language Proficiency

It is important to improve your language proficiency, especially English, which is a universal language in most local enterprises. Try to improve your language skills.

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The campus recruitment season starts usually in early September and runs up to April in the following year. Keep track of the recruitment presentation dates and make sure that you meet the application deadlines. Take the chance to learn more about different industries.

VII. Get Professional Qualifications

Check out the non-academic qualifications required by your target job or career and take the examination as early as you can, e.g. CPA, GATE, etc.

VIII. Expand Your Network

Meet people at social gatherings and make an effort to meet professionals and other potential institutions. Talk to the right people who may offer you useful information and knowledge.

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Get ready for the first wave of application deadline, usually October. Make sure your CV and cover letter are ready. It is also wise to visit some institutions to find out if any interview opportunities are available at the right time.

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A successful interview asks for thorough research on basic background, preparation for the job, and the company. Take enough time to learn about the company's culture and the job details. Prepare for interviews with your practice. Do your homework and you will do well.
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Updating Your Profile

Students are advised to update their online profiles regularly. This action will further enhance your employability.

Graduate Placement - Planing to take in your university life

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Expand your horizon by joining different extra-curricular activities. Job interviews are exclusive for CUHK students; while JIJIS is the key online job information platform for the whole society.

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Meet recruitment officers from different organizations and familiarize with the market. These activities also help you to enhance your employability.

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Never-local students who want to work in Hong Kong should pick up Cantonese, the common spoken language in Hong Kong.

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Other Services

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Throughout Your Employment

1. Understand Yourself
   - Try to identify your talents, strengths and weaknesses, as these constitute your basic foundations for professional success.
   - Understand yourself through self-assessment, self-reflection and self-analysis.
   - Try to identify your personal skills and habits.
   - Identify your personal values, interests, strengths and weaknesses.
   - The Self-assessment on the website can help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.

2. Join More Extra-curricular Activities
   - Extra-curricular activities can develop your interpersonal abilities, such as leadership, organization and communication skills.
   - Extra-curricular activities can also develop your problem-solving skills.
   - Joining different types of extra-curricular activities will train you to work as a team and, at the same time, can demonstrate your abilities and your potential.
   - Employers look for students who are good team players.

3. Career Information
   - The career information on the website provides you with a wealth of information.
   - It is available on the website for your reference.

4. Pay Attention to the Market and Social/Industry Development
   - Keep reading international and local newspapers, and magazines to expand your knowledge.
   - You can keep track of the social issues and the development of various industries.
   - Stay updated with the latest news and developments in the industry.

5. Get Professional Qualifications
   - Make use of the professional qualifications to enhance your employability.
   - The website provides you with the necessary information.

6. Network
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Organizing Career Guidance and Enrichment Programmes

Organize career guidance programmes, including seminars, job opportunities, career workshops, career mentorship programme and workshops. The workshops are usually hosted by senior executives, seasoned employers and leaders from local and overseas industries.

Providing Career Counselling Services and Updated Job Market Information

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Other Services
Graduate and postgraduate students consider the career counselling service before making career plans. We provide job application experience, interview training, CV writing, etc.

Throughout Your Employability

I. Understand Yourself

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Check once again the professional qualifications required by your target job functions and take the examinations as early as you can, e.g. CIA, ICAEW, etc.

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### Useful Links

- Information for Non-local Students:
- Independent Learning Centre:
- English Language Teaching Unit:
- Chinese Language Centre:
- JIJIS:
- CU Job Link:
- CPDC Website:
What’s next?

The career paths for postgraduates vary, depending on the type of degree you obtain and your own interest. And for some professions, a postgraduate qualification gives you the entry ticket. Below are some tips for different career fields you may be interested in:

### Non-academic / Professional career

A non-academic career probably sounds most interesting for those pursuing a taught postgraduate degree. For professionals like solicitors, barristers, and medical specialists, a postgraduate qualification would be a prerequisite. After obtaining the qualification, it is the time to move on and become a professional.

### Education Field

To teach in a higher education institute, you will be required to obtain at least a master’s degree, and a PhD will give you an edge in getting a lecturing position. Some institutes may even require related experience in the industry before you can be considered for the role.

### Research Field

In these positions, much of your time will be spent on researches, e.g. by collecting samples and data, analysing and digesting loads of statistics, journals, reviews and published literature. And possibly some laboratory work.

### Useful Links

- Useful websites in your career preparation journey:
  - CPDC Website: [http://cpdc.osa.cuhk.edu.hk](http://cpdc.osa.cuhk.edu.hk)
  - Independent Learning Centre: [http://www5.cuhk.edu.hk/ilc](http://www5.cuhk.edu.hk/ilc)
  - Chinese Language Centre: [http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/clc](http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/clc)
  - JIJIS: [http://www.jijis.org.hk](http://www.jijis.org.hk)
  - CU Job Link: [http://job.cuhk.edu.hk/job](http://job.cuhk.edu.hk/job)

### Career Planning & Development Centre

Through a range of career-focused services and programmes, we provide students with comprehensive job market information and insightful advice to help them achieve their career aspirations.

### Vision

To be a leading career centre in the region with a team of diverse experts that is agile and responsive to the needs of the students, the University and the business community.

### Mission

Committed to provide quality services to enhance students’ employability and foster their future development.

### Core Values

- Value Added: Personal and professional growth and development.
- Customer Focus: To provide quality services to enhance students’ employability and foster their future development.
- Innovation: To provide quality services to enhance students’ employability and foster their future development.

### HOW TO SUCCESS IN YOUR CAREER?

1. **Understand where you stand.**
2. **Set career goals.**
3. **Prepare a plan.**
4. **Take action!**

### CPDC Event Calendar

**2023**

**January**

- **CPDC Recruitment Inauguration**
- **CPDC Mentorship Programme**

**February**

- **CPDC Careers Fair**
- **Certificate / Diploma / Class Graduation**

**March**

- **CPDC Internship Programme**
- **Certificate / Diploma / Class Graduation**

**April**

- **CPDC Careers Fair**
- **Certificate / Diploma / Class Graduation**

**May**

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**June**

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**July**

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**August**

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**September**

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**October**

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**November**

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**December**

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