

## 5 Job Search Myths

Many people find the job search process to be intimidating because information about the process is often unclear, inaccurate, and elicits fear. However, once you better understand the process, job searching can be quite rewarding.

### MYTH #1: YOU CAN'T GO TO THE CDO UNTIL YOU KNOW WHAT YOU WANT TO DO

CDO advisors work with students who are undecided to explore various career options and to figure out their interests and goals.

### MYTH #2: YOUR RESUME LANDS YOU A JOB

A strong resume is an important part of the process, but it lands you an interview, not the job itself. It is up to you to secure the position by convincing the interviewer(s) that you are the best candidate for the job.

### MYTH #3: YOU'RE STUCK WITH YOUR FIRST JOB OUT OF COLLEGE

Your first job out of college allows you to start learning and gaining new skills that will help you advance to the next step in your career. Most new grads are in their first job for one to three years. After this initial experience, you can explore options within your current company or elsewhere.

### MYTH #4: YOU NEED A JOB BY GRADUATION

While starting the job search process in the Fall semester is ideal, it is never too late to start your search. It's better to start where you're at then not start at all! In certain fields, employers recruit engineers all year round. CDO advisors can help you come up with a plan that feels manageable to you.

### MYTH #5: YOUR INDUSTRY MUST MATCH YOUR MAJOR

Engineering firms recruit and hire young professionals from specific majors when the qualifications are essential to the job duties. However, as an engineer you can use your skills across industries. If you are unsure of your career path, broaden your search to other fields your skills are applicable to. Still stuck? Visit the CDO to talk to an advisor about your options.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[Job Search Resources](#)

[Finding Job Opportunities](#)

[Job Search Bootcamp \(videos\)](#)