

## Career Resources in Response to COVID-19

You may have recently lost a job or drastically reduced your hours; you may be working entirely from home for the first time ever; you may be about to graduate or transfer and looking for a job; or you may simply be feeling overwhelmed by the job search process in light of the situation. The OCC Career Center has gathered some resources to address these areas and keep you motivated during this time:

- Have you lost your job due to COVID-19? [Make sure you immediately file for unemployment.](#)
- On top of filing for unemployment, there are other actions you may want to take for your specific situation. California's [Labor & Workforce Development Agency \(LWDA\) has compiled resources, step-by-step guidance, and FAQs](#) related to COVID-19.
- There are many companies looking to hire immediately! Now is the time to create a free LinkedIn account and [subscribe to this regularly updated article](#) on companies hiring right now, including Amazon, Instacart, Outschool, Blue Apron, and SpaceX. Once on LinkedIn, you can also search the **#HiringNow** hashtag to see other possible job openings.
- New to LinkedIn and not sure what to do once you have created your account? Check out this [guide on LinkedIn for Students](#) for tips on creating your profile, developing your brand, job hunting, and more.
- The job search can be daunting during a time like this, but LinkedIn's [Guide on Job Searching During the Pandemic](#) will help you **#GetHired**. From staying mentally healthy to getting prepared for video interviews to activating your network, this regularly updated article will help you stay motivated and connected in the job search process.
- Learn a new skill or even complete an online course on LinkedIn Learning! Using your OCC email address, [you can activate your FREE access to LinkedIn Learning](#) where you can watch videos from experts and even earn certificates of completion in topics such as Java, AutoCAD, Excel, Google Analytics, and even Mindfulness.
- If you are fortunate to have the opportunity to work remotely from home, you may find that it can be difficult to focus and concentrate. [This article provides 5 tips for staying productive and healthy while working from home.](#)
- Browse the [OCC Career Center website](#), particularly the [page on preparing for your job/internship search](#), which provides tips on creating your resume and cover letter, building a network and utilizing LinkedIn, and developing your interviewing skills using a mock interview platform called Big Interview. You can also visit the page on [discovering your path](#) to take online self-assessments and explore majors and careers.
- Remember, OCC is here to support you in your career development! You can [register for our virtual Career Workshops and/or schedule a career counseling appointment](#) with Katie Ottoson (Career Counselor).