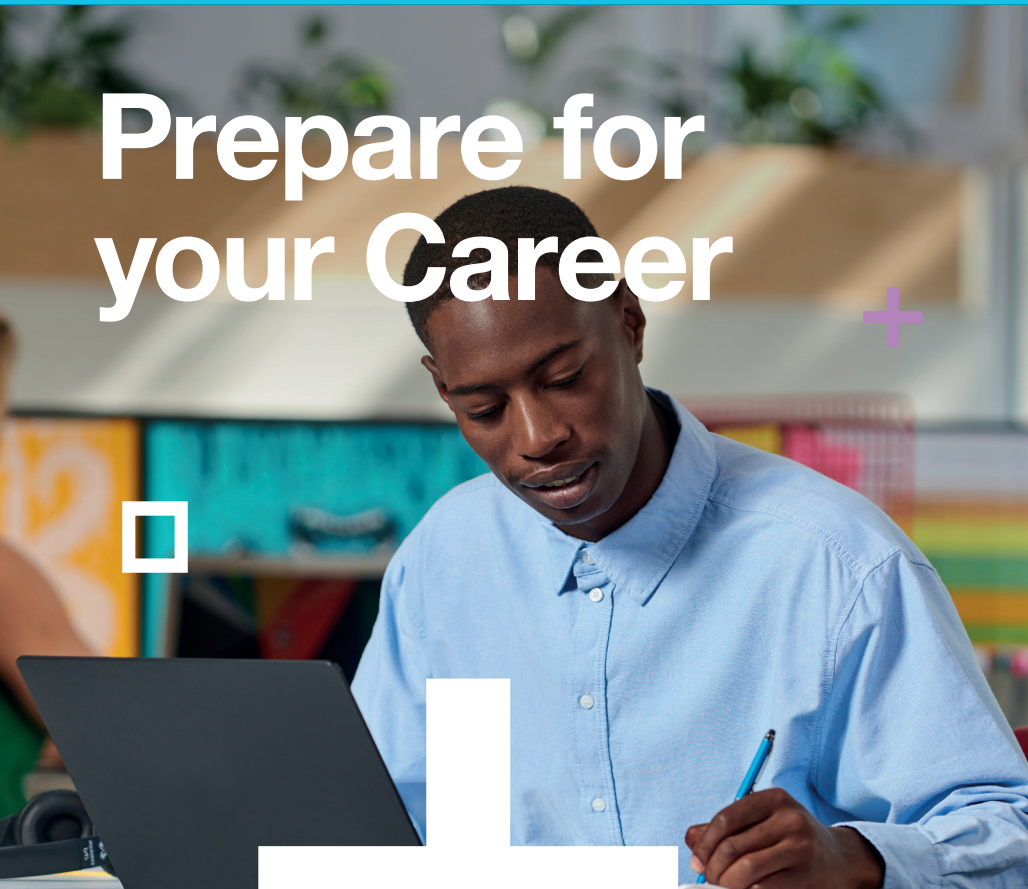


Prepare for your Career



Career by Design

We want every student who graduates from The IIE's Varsity College to face the world with the skills and knowledge to create and thrive in their own future. We aim to curate an experience where each student better themselves, and is given the support to prepare for their career in the way that best suits them, and grows them – so they can find their place.

What Is The Career Centre?

The Career Centre is a work-readiness centre that provides students with opportunities to gain workplace skills that will complement their academic qualification. Our strong business relationships also give students the opportunity for potential work experience and graduate placement, preparing students for their future career and getting their CVs to the top of the pile.

How Do I Hear About The Career Centre's Activities?

Find your Career Centre Coordinator on campus and access the interactive Career Centre platform online or via the VC_Career Centre App. Explore the content on the platform and book a consultation online with your Career Centre Coordinator for individual career support. Working with your Career Centre is a great opportunity to get a head start on employability. Even if you're unsure of what career you're interested in or what your long-term goals are, come in for a chat.





Why Work Part-Time?

Students who work are more self-aware and confident. They possess more essential skills necessary for the workplace than students who are not employed. In addition to earning money, some independence and satisfaction, taking up work part time helps you to:

- Gain work experience and build an impressive and credible CV.
- Apply the knowledge you have gained at The IIE's Varsity College to the real world of work and further develop your skills.
- Make industry connections.
- Experience non-traditional companies and potential jobs within your area of qualification that you may never have thought of.

Employers are always impressed with your experience and initiative.

Success Stories

DUMSILE NKOSI

*IIE Bachelor of Commerce graduate from The IIE's Varsity College Pretoria Campus
Finance Clerk with Tiger Brands*

"I advise current students to utilise the Career Centre as they are very helpful and care about what you become after you graduate. I wouldn't be in my current role if it wasn't for the assistance that I received from the Career Centre."

SABELO XULU

*IIE Bachelor of Corporate Communication graduate from The IIE's Varsity College Durban North Campus
Marketing Assistant BET Software*

"The Career Centre has helped me in different ways, more so in preparing a professional CV, preparing me for job interviews as well as networking with the corporates on campus."

Advice from a Career Centre Coordinator

Meet Thembeke, one of our Career Centre Coordinators from the Durban North Campus. Thembeke is passionate about equipping students and graduates with skills to improve their employability. She coaches students and graduates on how they can acquire work readiness skills in preparation for life after graduation. Her message is clear. You need to stand out to prospective employers and “now” is an ideal time to prepare yourself and carve your own path.



“Considering the unemployment rate in South Africa, I acknowledge how challenging it is to secure employment in such a tight climate. This motivates me to become part of the solution to help students become more employable. I believe that in preparation for life after graduation, one needs to be curious about the working world, intentional about life and career and find unconventional ways of job searching. If you do the same thing that the person next to you does, you might not reap positive results. You need to set yourself apart.

During my time at university, I knew that studying towards my qualification was not enough. I took the extra initiative to gain work experience and acquire skills essential to land a job. My question to you is, “what have you done so far during your studies at the IIE’s Varsity College to become employable?” I encourage you to do more, take up part-time work, network and start taking the necessary steps to have a CV that carries weight, ace that interview, and land your dream job!”

FAQs

Must I engage with the Career Centre to be put forward for a position?

Yes. You need to proactively apply for job opportunities via the Career Centre platform. The Career Centre cannot make guarantees to any students but works closely with committed students to ensure they are well prepared for the application and interview process.

Is being paid for part-time work important?

Some positions will only offer the experience and opportunity to learn, which will prove worthwhile in the long-term.

Will my part-time work skills be transferable to my full-time career?

Yes. Any skills developed through part-time employment become invaluable once you embark on your career. Even waiting tables will teach you skills like dealing with difficult customers and working under pressure.



What Can I Do to Kickstart My Career Now?

Access the Career Centre platform

The Career Centre platform grants you exposure to a wealth of interactive career tools, e-learning content, and the latest job opportunities.

Connect

Make an appointment with your Career Centre Coordinator on campus for support with CV development, interview techniques and mapping out your career expectations and goals.

Get involved

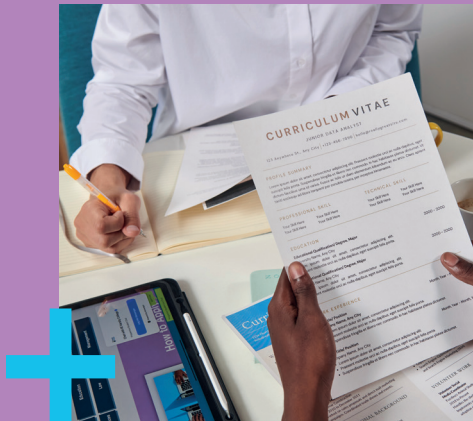
Attend various skill-building workshops with industry speakers and recruitment experts as well as employer showcases and events. Consult with your Career Centre Coordinator regularly for guidance and advice.

Focus

Explore career options and focus on work that will help you achieve your career goal. We will support you every step of the way.

Action

Come to the Career Centre earlier on during your studies and be intentional in your approach. Speak to us about Graduate Job Opportunities, what they entail and how you can prepare for them. The door of opportunity will be wide open if you are prepared.



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