

Spring ICE FAQs

What goes on during the Spring Internship & Career Expo (Spring ICE) and why should I attend?

Spring ICE is an opportunity for you to meet with employer representatives from business and industry as well as selected governmental and public service agencies. Employer tables are placed throughout Millett Hall where you can visit with employer representatives about internships and/or full-time job opportunities and leave them a copy of your resume. Most employers hold one-on-one conversations, while others prefer small-group presentations. Employers use this event to help them select students to invite for interviews. You should use the Expo to introduce yourself to employers as well as to ask questions and gain important information directly from them. Come to Spring ICE and explore, especially if you are uncertain as to what you want to do.

How many employers come?

Recent Expos have drawn over 100 employers. Many will be well known names, while others will be new to you. Take the time to research the employers. Don't limit yourself; some of the best opportunities may exist with lesser-known organizations. We have discouraged employers from participating in Spring ICE if they have neither full-time jobs nor internships available (i.e., coming just for PR purposes). In other words, the employers who attend should have real opportunities to offer.

Which majors is Spring ICE intended for?

The Expo is not designed exclusively for any one major or field. There are opportunities for all majors, but it depends upon your career aspirations as to whether you will find what you are seeking. We have invited employers from across several different fields. However, if employers can find enough high-quality candidates without participating in on-campus events, they will opt out of these events no matter how often we invite them. If you are unsure whether the Expo is right for you, it is best to err on the side of attending. Making just one good contact could lead to that important first job or internship!

Do I need a certain GPA?

No, but some employers will have minimum standards, which may include a GPA requirement when deciding whom to invite for interviews after the Expo. Don't let a low GPA stop you from attending Spring ICE. As a matter of fact, attending the Expo and making a positive impression could be the ticket to getting an interview regardless of your GPA.

How can I find out more about which employers are coming to Spring ICE?

Towards the beginning of February, the list of employers attending the Expo will be posted on our Web site at: www.muohio.edu/careers/. In addition, a printed list will be distributed two weeks prior to the Expo at the "Training Session for Spring Internship & Career Expo." At this Training Session, we will also discuss tips on how you can make the most of the Expo.

Do I need to bring a resume?

Yes, you should bring a supply of resumes to distribute to employers in whom you are interested. Cover letters are not necessary for the Expo.

Should I attend if I am interested in non-profit organizations?

Yes. A selected number of non-profit and governmental organizations will attend the Expo. Check which ones are coming before attending Spring ICE.

What should I wear?

Some employers will be dressed in "business casual" attire, but most will still be wearing suits. It is best to be conservative and wear professional business attire.

Do I need to be registered with the Office of Career Services to attend?

No, but if you are not registered you will not be included in Miami CAREERlink nor allowed to sign up for any subsequent on-campus interviews. Take advantage of all possible opportunities – register!

What should I do if I have a class scheduled the same time as Spring ICE?

The Expo is held from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Try to work around your class schedule. If this is not possible, seek permission from your professor(s) in advance. We cannot grant permission or excuse an absence.

What can the Office of Career Services do for me if I'm not interested in the employers participating in Spring ICE?

Don't be discouraged if you don't find the employers you are seeking at the Expo. Attend our other workshops, especially "How to Begin Your Internship Search" (intern candidates) or "Job-Search Success" (graduating students) and make an appointment with a career advisor to help you plan your job or internship search. The Expo is an important event, but it is only one of our many services designed to help you locate a job or internship.