Please describe your job search experiences, including what helped you locate and secure the position you held as of March 1, 2021.

I held a supervisory position and got offered a temp. manager position

I was quick to respond to recruiters and, since I had no prior, relevant work experience, I put my school projects at the top of the resume.

I converted to full-time from the internship I had been working on.

Indeed

I just used Indeed. It has been depressingly competitive due to the pandemic. I saw one job with 2000+ applicants on LinkedIn.

I tried applying to positions in statistics from June 2020 to January 2021, and after getting zero job offers or interviews, I had to redirect my job search to anything I could find to help pay my bills. In late February I found my current job working in fast food.

University career fair

Prior experience with community, strong R & SQL skills

Connections to where I was already working as an undergraduate student position. Iâ€™d say it was more challenging job searching for statistics related positions as a undergrad compared to post-grad.

I was handed a job at a nonprofit straight out of school.

Secured full-time offer from internship

Mostly networking on LinkedIn and talking to recruiters

Actuarial Career fair at [my school] helped me get several of my job offers

It was a long 6 month process from July to December 2020. I mainly used LinkedIn as my job search and networking platform. I networked so much with people I met through LinkedIn or through outside sources. I found my job through a classmate at school who had a similar degree.

Actuarial Career fair held each fall

Alumni networking and just sending in hundreds of applications even if I didnâ€™t think I qualify

I applied to over 100 positions, but got my current position through a referral after only 1 round of interviews. I believe a referral is essential to securing an entry-level position in actuarial work.

I was initially working full time at [company], a solutions engineering position I was offered via campus recruiting when I graduated. As of October 2020 I applied to [a new company] on LinkedIn for a product marketing manager position and that is where I am currently.

LinkedIn, Emailing HR departments, asking friends and family, other job boards such as handshake. I got my current role from a friend that also works at my company now.

I applied to more than 200 jobs in for new college graduates in data science, software engineering, data analytics, business analytics, and basically all of the other buzzwords associated with this field during fall of my senior year. I had secured this job December 2019 for starting in August 2020.

I applied to a lot of jobs on Handshake and Linkedin, and had three interviews for three different companies. I went with the option that gave me an offer first.

Difficult, I feel like my degree at [school] did not prepare me for the duties of a data analyst. [my school] only offered 1 major course relevant to post grad job responsibilities [redacted - possibly only offered by one school]. I definitely had to do a lot of learning on the side to keep up with competition.

I received my job because I went to various small business owners that I knew and offered them free data analysis. I did an NLP project for a small consulting company. My point of contact was so impressed with my work, that he referred me to the company I am working for now.

I primarily found job applications on LinkedIn and then started interview processes. I learned SQL on my own through online classes and that helped with several of my technical interview challenges.

Professor recommendation. Also interned at the place.

My previous summer internship helped me in part. My analytics skills from my degree.

Received return offer from summer internship.

Went through many interviews both for Data Scientist and Software Engineer

I had already interned at the same company after my junior year and had immediately received a full time offer, so I didn't do separate job searches.

There are so many people looking for data science jobs that you're forced to apply to hundreds of companies. Companies are increasingly hiring from their intern pools only, so the internship step is almost more important than the fulltime one.

Handshake (CMU Portal), Linkedin, Glassdoor

It was really tough being an international student and unemployed during COVID.

Due to COVID, the job search was rather rough and stressful. Applying in bulk and reaching out through different job platforms made the search gain more traction and fetch more interviews, which eventually led to my current job.

Having strong internship experiences, school experiences, interviewing multiple times, etc.

Previous internships

I declined a return offer to the company I interned at after my junior year looking for an opportunity more aligned with my major in a different industry. I found an opportunity last year that was canceled due to COVID, but went through the process of applying to an organization in the same industry and was lucky enough to get the job.

It was really hard since the situation was uncertain and a lot of companies were putting out hiring freezes. It was stressful because I was desperate to find a job so I could pay off my student loans. I was

basically applying to any job where I met even 2-3 qualifications that was somewhat remotely related to my major. There were a lot of lists going around of companies still hiring during Covid, which helped a lot and led me to find the position I have now.

I had a lot of difficulty in the early months of the pandemic. Fortunately a connection helped me get my job in late July.

Summer internship in 2019, converted to full time

My friend discussed where he got a job, he referred me and they extended me an offer as well. It was my first application.

got a few interviews, nothing fruitful. was not ready for the job market quite yet.

It was difficult but not too hard I had secured a job only to have the start date pushed and need to find a new one for the time between graduation and my new later start date

Accepted job as a business analyst, job search was straight forward. I applied everywhere and accepted the best paying position.

[my schools] Career Fair was very helpful. All contact with employers I had was through there

My job offers came from my internship and the career fair. My internship is what gave me the experience I needed to be hired.

I had a job offer before graduating in December of 2019, when the pandemic started it did not affect my employment status

I actually did a lot of my job search and recruiting through the resources and services provided by [other departments resources]. Both of these schools provided the tools I needed to get onto the track I am now.

A professor reached out and offered

I applied to every actuarial job opening that I could find.

LinkedIn and career advisors at [my school]

Career fair, school job board

COVID really changed a lot, but basically I had secured an internship for the summer following my graduation prior to accepting my full-time job at another company. My search was broad between insurance and data companies.

I was lucky enough that my current employer reached out to me for an interview.

I work with a family member as an office assitant

NA

Difficult. Networking with Alumni helped me with securing employment.

I searched for jobs using online resources, such as Indeed, as well as through my college's career fair. My current job I found on Indeed. I applied for at least 10 different positions and got 3-4 interviews. After I received an offer for my current job, I did not complete any other follow up interviews.

I was kind of picked out by my employer before I was actively looking for a job. The interview process was long and thorough so I looked while that ensued but nothing went too far.

I knew that it would be beneficial to gain more experiences in research and/or clinical settings during the gap between obtaining my undergraduate degree and medical school, so I limited my job search to opportunities that would fulfill those requirements. I found LinkedIn to be a helpful resource during my job search.

COVID severely impacted my search. The biggest contributors to my success were the hackathons I took part in - they were perfect preparation for practical portions of interviews.

Went to career fairs and applied to many jobs starting Fall of 2019. Didn't apply to my current job until March of 2020 and was hired May 2020

On campus recruitment Career services Business fraternity

I held an internship at the company before being offered full time.

The internship, I got the return offer from it

Career fair, applying online, coding tests, interviews

I had an easy job search experience, as I simply continued working full-time in the research lab I had been working in during my time as a student.

This is a part time job I've held since the summer of 2019. Have been filling out many job applications weekly since graduation with no offers back yet.

Searched for jobs online and at career fairs. Found a job through an online posting

I accepted a position early in the process (December 2019)

Terrible. COVID made it hard and the U was not much help. I had work through my internship to get something.

Connections, goldpass, [name redacted], indeed.com

Googled data analyst positions

I leveraged my quantitative background as much as possible to stand out as a candidate.

Really tough. Applied for a ton of positions, and a lot of rejections. One just clicked which was amazing and well needed and it's been a great entry level position.

Campus online resources, career fairs

My senior statistical consulting class as well as [my schools] career network/database helped lead me to finding my current job

I signed back at where I interned that previous summer

I applied for a lot of stuff from May 2020- July 2020 (when I started my current position). I had a number of interviews from the same government agency where I now work, but I took the first offer because it was the best, even though it was implied there would be more.

I secured my full time offer at the same company I interned with the summer before my final year of undergrad.

I interviewed at several places for data science positions, never got far. This was marginally better than the retail job I was working at.

I was using Indeed to find a job

Used Indeed, CareerBuilder, LinkedIn to find positions as well as googled for nearby actuarial firms and applied on company websites. I also reached out to some people I knew from college to try and get more interviews.

I have not secured any positions in my field yet. My job was at a local store where I did not utilize my education.

I found it very challenging. Not enough applied skills within my college curriculum. I was able to get my position due to outside research experience from my direst Statistics education.

I applied to a lot, got little back. Accepted the one offer I received.

N/A

It was very hard. A friend helped me get an interview in the accounting department at his job. (Accounting is not my dream job, but hopefully it will help me get closer.)

I used Indeed and applied to jobs for about six months.

I applied to lots of different companies directly on their websites. I also significantly prepared for the interview process by reviewing relevant technical concepts and by also reading more about the company.

I had a ton of interviews but only got one offer and accepted it around January 2020

I interned at the company in the summer of 2019, worked part time through the fall semester, and recieved an offer to start full time in January 2020.

I intered with the company that I now work full time for.

I interviewed for actuarial internships in the fall of my junior year. I had 11 interviews, with 2 leading to immediate offers and (approximately) 6 leading to follow-up interviews. One of the two companies that gave me an immediate offer was the offer I accepted, which then led to a full-time offer at the conclusion of the internship.

In October 2019, I turned down an offer to be an actuarial student consultant in Indianapolis because God called me to help plant a church in Virginia. Since the pandemic and moving to Blacksburg, VA I have really struggled to find a job so I have taken a job picking groceries at Kroger

My first internship after my sophomore year was working with [redacted] at a smaller company in Indianapolis, IN. This experience provided me something to speak on when interviewing for internships after my junior year. The internship after my junior year ultimately lead me to accept a full-time off at my current employer. The majority of my internship searching was done through the actuarial club at my university.

Networking & just applying. Went to a few conferences, job fairs.

I applied to over 400 jobs and didn't give up. I talked to old employers from previous internships and eventually got lucky after 6+ months of searching. I also made a video game while unemployed.

I used the recommended job searching site through [my university]. I applied to probably one hundred places, and my only interview was for the job I currently have.

I had a number of internships throughout college and was involved on campus, which made my resume desirable. I also am very thorough in editing and updating my resume and preparing for interviews. I applied A LOT.

Job searching is very bleak for statistics jobs with only a bachelor's degree. I applied for a government job that and obtained that as my only offer.

It was very difficult, initially, searching for jobs in a global pandemic. My mother sent me the job posting, and the interview/hiring process moved very quickly after submitting my application.

Looked at job sites, company websites, contacted networking connections, applied to everything even if I wasn't fully qualified, made cover letters for everything

I attended career fairs at my school and talked to friends and relatives in industries I was interested in. These contacts led to my internship opportunities.

Applied to as many applicable jobs to my interests as possible, over 200 applications. Researched the positions I was interested in and applied through several platforms.

They reached out to me.

Through [my school], an adviser emailed the undergraduates about an internship opportunity. I applied and was accepted. At the end of the internship, I was extended the full time position.

I applied to job listings of companies that came to career fairs. I also applied to jobs I had a general interest in. The department of statistics administration team helped a great deal by notifying students of employment opportunities.

Applied to tech companies

I graduated then applied to everything I could, a few interviews and then was offered this position

I primarily utilized LinkedIn to identify and apply for jobs I was suited for.

Took about 6 months only searching online with Indeed, handshake, etc.

Still looking for job related to field of study, currently a substitute teacher

It was tough. I mainly applied online through LinkedIn and company searches. I landed my current job through a connection, though.

As of March 1st I was working part time in a hospital which I had been working at since before my graduation from college. At this point I had also accepted a job offer to begin working with a finance institution starting on April 5, 2021 following my departure from the part time job at the hospital. I do not think I would have landed the new full time job in finance without my internship or experience working with people in the hospital.

I posted my resume to many online job sites and used those sites to apply for positions. Ultimately, I was sought out by a recruiter from a recruiting agency and he helped my find my job.

My full-time offer was extended at the end of my internship at the company.

Very difficult to find, ultimately got a job through connections

My job offer was a return offer from my internship.

I didn't really job search because I was offered a full-time position from the internship that I held while in school.

I received my offer after my internship.

Applying for jobs and not hearing back or being rejected.

My current job is distinct as it is a direct result of a promotion I received after completing my degree. I worked for the same college prior to enrolling in [my institution], and received my promotion half a year after my degree.

Handshake, indeed

I got a job through my internship

Few places were hiring at the time as it was in the middle of covid shutdown.

Looked for jobs related to my degree 5-6 days a week, every week, from May 2020 until February of 2021

I began my internship the spring of my junior year and was offered a full time position in November of my senior year. I did not go through an application process for other opportunities.

Could not secure a position in field of interest. Took a manual labor position found online.

Using campus resources as well as other hiring sites

applied to one job and took it

The employer had information sessions at my University, and one of my classes "field studies" had us visit the campus. Other than the job I was offered, I had a really hard time finding open internships I was interested in. I only applied to 2 other positions.

The first job that I located was through an email from a former student of my Biostatistics program. The advisor sent this to the department, and I got in contact with the former student to have an interview. I

was ultimately offered a verbal offer, but could not move forward due to hiring freezes from the COVID Pandemic. As a result, I ended up moving onto a different position. My other job experience, I had found through Handshake. It was a company that my friend, also in Biostatistics, had already received a position for. I received an offer after I had started my current position. My current position was found through Linkedin. I was contacting by a recruiter for an agency. After connecting, I very quickly had interviews scheduled for this position. This position was for my current position, and it best fit my needs during the Pandemic.

I was hired out of my internship, but promoted after graduation. I had several interviews elsewhere but no offers.

All remote, applying to a wide variety of data science/programming related tech jobs on linkedin and glassdoor. Interviews were all remote as well. Side projects, capstone, and programming classes I took outside of my major prepared me the most.

Internship from previous summer

I had an internship with the company the summer before.

Had to apply to a lot of jobs before receiving any offers. Started looking at new college graduates programs which is how I got the job I now hold.

I took a manual labor job because I couldn't find a job in statistics.

I would say fairly difficult. By keeping track of every application I sent to prospective employers between May and December 2020 I discovered that out of the 66 applications I sent, 8 resulted in an interview. From these 8 interviews, 2 led to a job offer. Factors which helped me secure my current position as a data engineer was a heavy focus on Big data technologies, [redacted], cloud technologies and programming (OOP and functional) in the 8 months between my graduation and getting hired.

Mostly online searches through employment websites

LinkedIn, Glassdoor, a lot of networking, distant family fried got me my current position

Very difficult when looking for jobs since many companies dropped positions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Used job boards to find my current position.

Data science conference (2018) helped me make connections that got me an internship (2019) that helped me get a job (2020)

STEM fair on campus

I had a lot of interviews canceled because of COVID, and many companies didn't want to hire entry level Data Engineers. But my current company was one of the few looking and I was able to be hired

I have a connection on LinkedIn that I reached out to after applying for my current role.

I used Linkedin to apply to actuarial positions in cities where I wanted to live

Most of my searching was on indeed, I found the job posting there and applied online. The interview process took about 2 months, and I was also talking with another company that paused hiring bc of the pandemic

Applied to many for statistics and only got 2-3 interviews. Currently not working in a statistics related position. I got the job because the company is owned by a friend's mom.

The job I currently have did recruiting for June 2020 start date as of September 2019, so I had a job relatively early in the process. Networking with alums and attending career events was very useful.

Starting June 2020, I searched for any type of data job full time. Towards the end of my search, I was considering assistant position, and HR positions, but eventually got my full time analyst position in October after 5 months of searching full time.

Making a schedule for applying, highlighting statistics/data science acumen

Applied to 50 companies, got 1 offer for Data Analytics

My company came to my school to speak and asked for resumes. I provided my resume, they interviewed me twice on campus, and I received the offer.