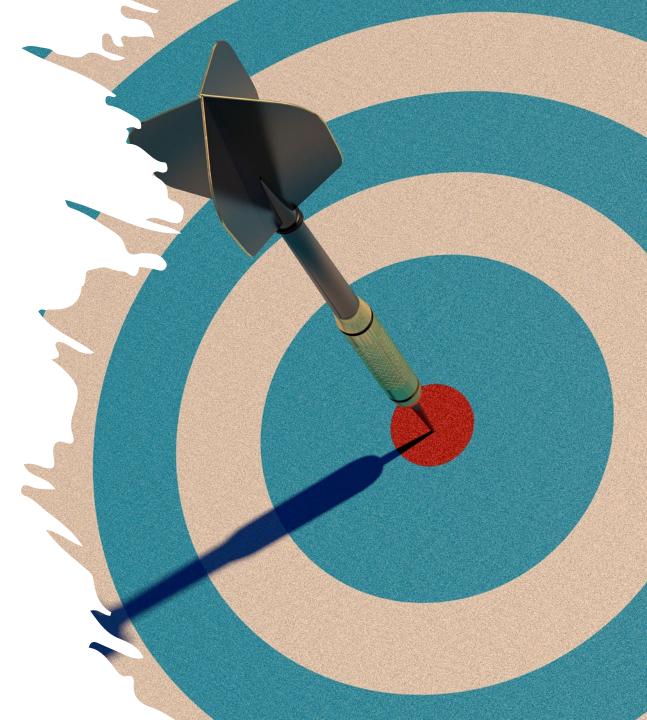
### HERC Jobs

## Finding & Applying for Jobs in Higher Education



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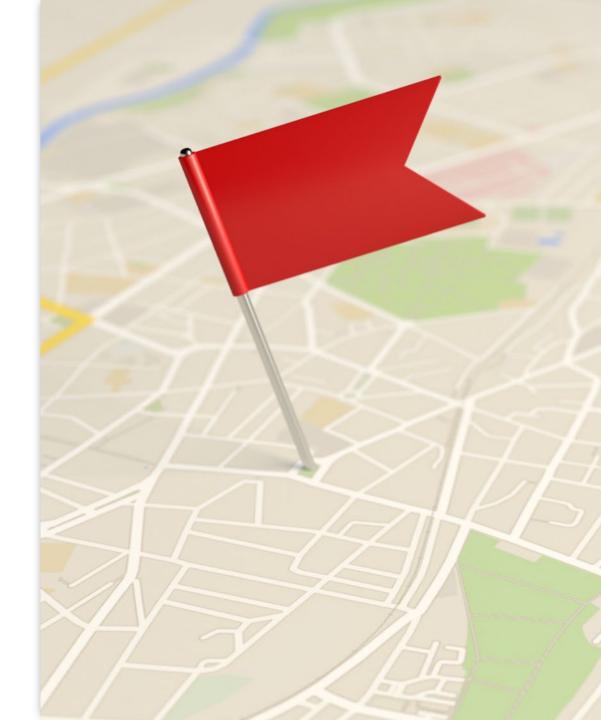


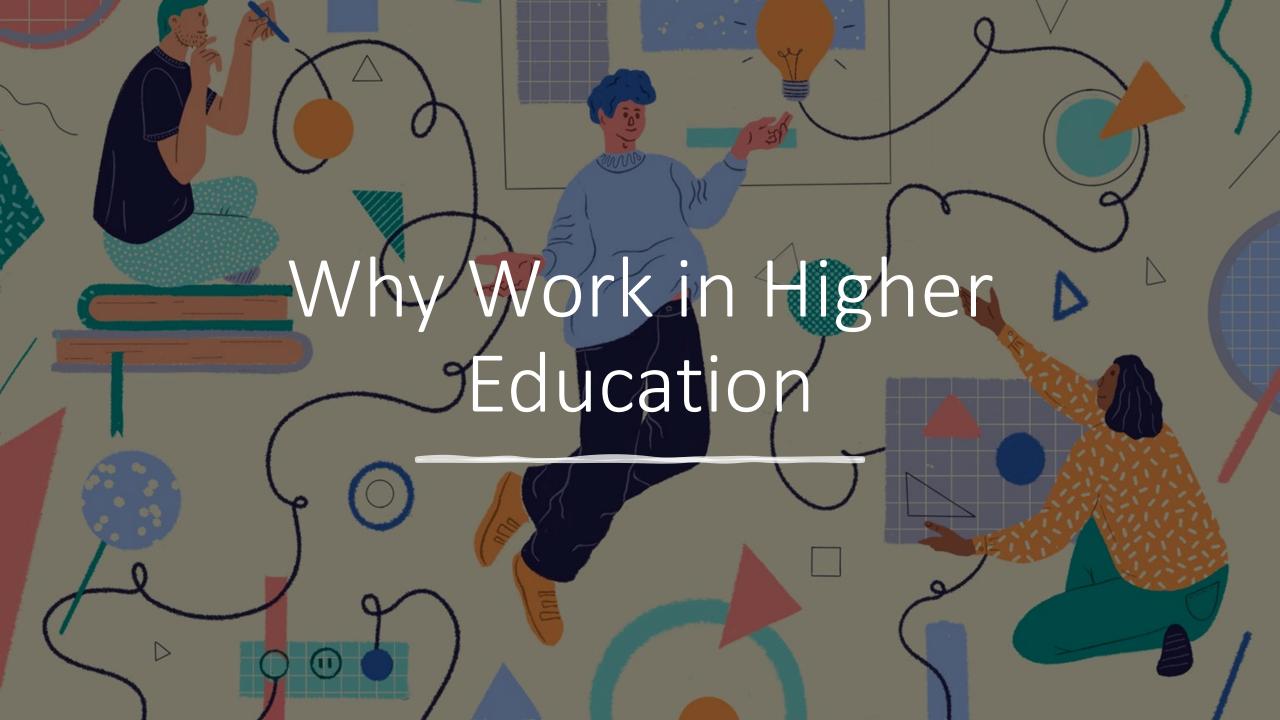
## What is HERC Jobs?

HERC Jobs is your pathway to a career in higher education, offering a comprehensive job board and free career resources. HERC Jobs is administered by the Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC), a nonprofit coalition of higher ed institutions and affiliated groups committed to expanding the candidate pool and fostering inclusive workplaces.

## Agenda

- Why work in higher ed?
- Finding jobs in higher ed
- Preparing your materials
- Maximizing the virtual job fair w/ CareerEco
- Open Q&A







Why work in Higher Education?

- IMPACT
- CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY / THE GREATER GOOD
- JOB SECURITY
- GOOD BENEFITS & WORK-LIFE BALANCE
- PROFESSIONAL GROWTH & LEARNING

What kinds of jobs are available?

Accountants Health and Wellness **Facility Managers** Lab Technicians Legal **Student Advocates Recreation Professionals** Technology Staff/IT Support Marketing

# Finding Jobs In Higher Education



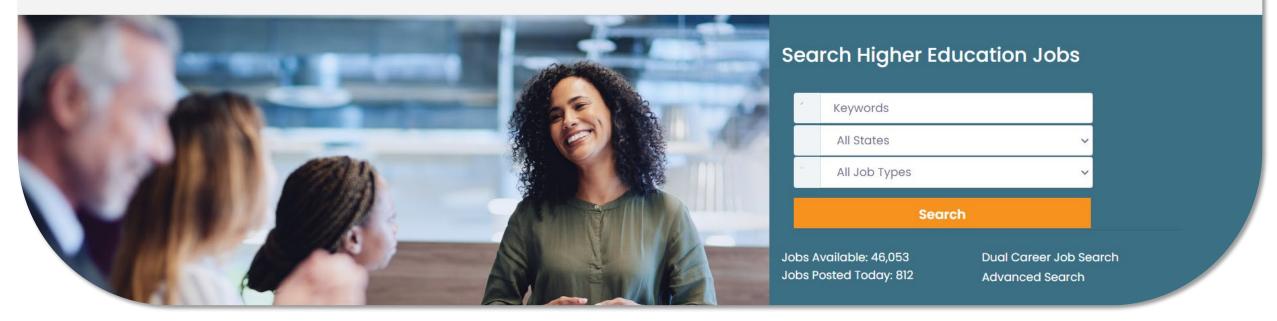
## Refine Your Job Search & Identify Target Roles

- Set up job alerts use multiple key words
- Review multiple roles to identify commonalities that appeal to you
- Review required skills and responsibilities in the job description – but don't self-select out!
- Refine your key terms over time



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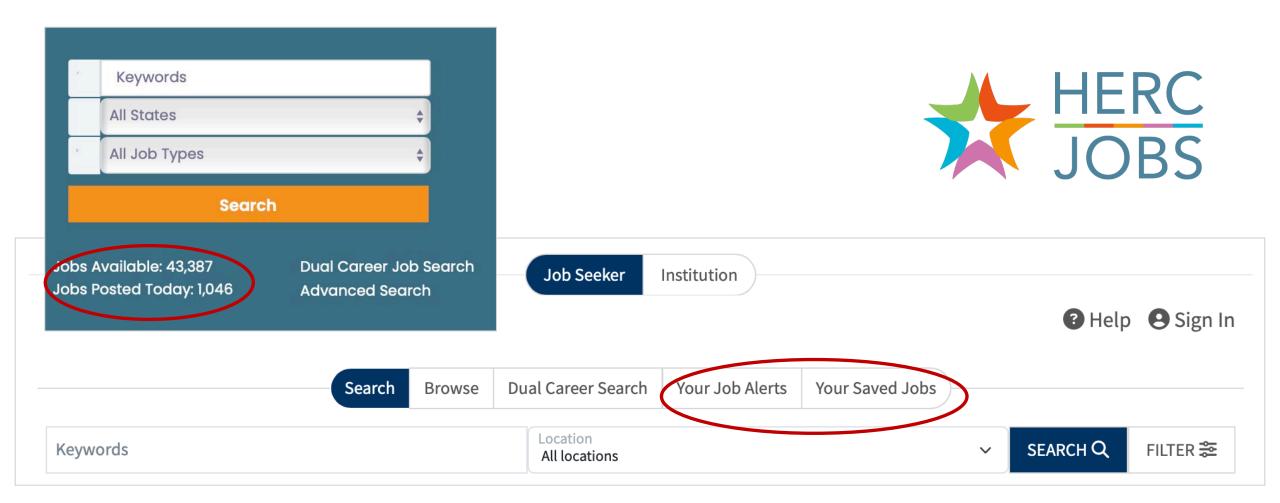
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## Where to start? HERC Jobs

Search jobs at higher ed institutions investing in the future workforce and broadening access to career opportunities

Access free career resources, such as ebooks and a monthly enewsletter full of tips and advice.



## Create job alerts

Special Considerations for the Higher Ed Job Search

- Consider the institution type and size
- Look at the department listing as well as the institution
- Investigate benefits, culture, institutional mission, etc.



## Preparing Your Materials

## 1. Create an Impactful Resume

- Create a tailored resume based on your top 2-3 job searches
- Manage your key words
- Focus on outcomes and deliverables wherever possible
- Prioritize most relevant roles





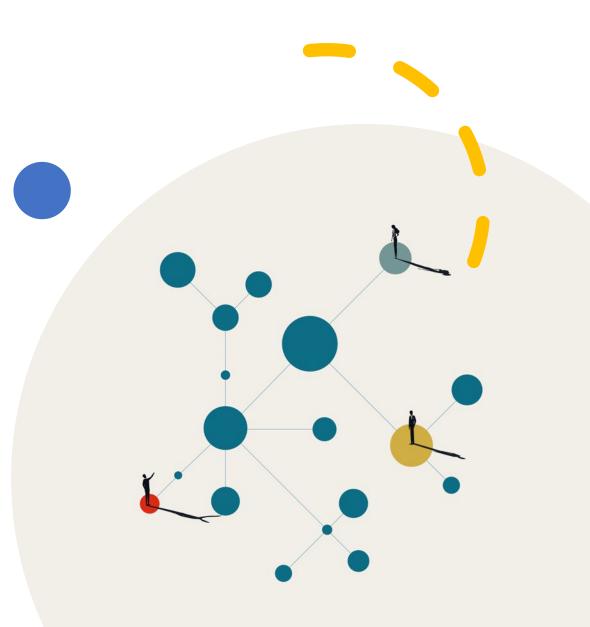
# Craft a Compelling Cover Letter

- Tell as "story" that connects your experience to the job description
- Point to transferrable skillsets
- Provide simple (non apologetic) explanations for potential problem areas – better yet, "re-frame" as a positive

3. Strengthen YourProfile /Personal Brand

- Enhance your LinkedIn profile
- Look for ways to build skill sets or demonstrate ability
- Take on leadership and/or visible roles (Get out of your comfort zone)

- 4. Expand Your Network
- Tap into formal and informal networks
- Be intentional with your mentor network
- Ask for informational interviews



## Higher Ed Application Tips

- The application process may take longer than the corporate environment
- All materials matter (CV, resume, etc.)
- Interviews may be in panel format
- Connect your experience with the mission of the institution or department



## Preparing for the Virtual Career Fair



Career Eco Demo



## Create Your CareerEco Account



#### Start Here: https://bit.ly/40XRkPh

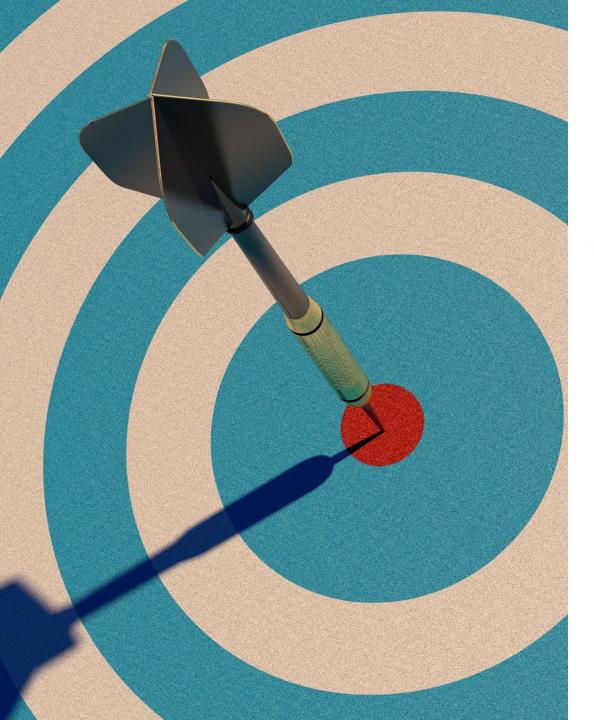
## Maximizing Your Career Fair Experience

Before the Virtual Career Fair

- Set Up Your Profile
- Scan the Employers List and Do Research
- Prepare Questions
- Check Your Tech and Prep Your Space

During the Virtual Career Fair

- Be Proactive with Your Questions
- If It's Busy, Return Later
- Stay Engaged
- Take Notes
- Plan your follow-up



## Questions?



Key Resources:

- 1. <u>How to Apply for Jobs in</u> <u>Higher Education</u> and other <u>ebooks</u>
- 2. <u>Essential Tips for Navigating</u> <u>Virtual Career Fairs</u> and other <u>career advice articles</u>
- 3. <u>Upcoming Virtual Career</u> <u>Fairs</u>

