

Scott MFRC Employment Assistance Program

From Job Search to Job Offer

# Class Administration

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# The Stats

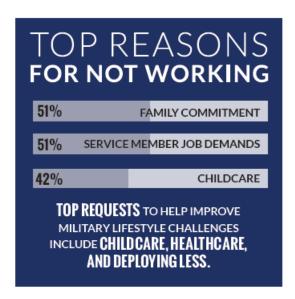
**BLUE STAR FAMILIES** MILITARY FAMILY LIFESTYLE SURVEY

# MILITARY SPOUSE **EMPLOYMENT**

48% EMPLOYED

21% UNEMPLOYED 29% NOT IN THE LABOR MARKET

FEEL MILITARY SPOUSE STATUS HAS A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON ABILITY TO PURSUE A CAREER IMPACT ON ABILITY TO PURSUE A CAREER



RETENTION AND RECOMMENDING SERVICE MILITARY SPOUSES ABLE TO MAINTAIN A CAREER ARE 36% MORE LIKELY TO RECOMMEND MILITARY SERVICE



lack of childcare has impacted ability to pursue employment or education

66%

are not able to find childcare that fits their current situation

spend \$500 or more per month on chil

# How to Start

- 1. Clean up your Social Network
  - 2. Rekindle & Grow Network





- 3. Make a list of your work history, volunteerism, projects, accomplishments, education, training, skills
  - 4. Set obtainable goals





- 5. Continue Learning
  - 6. Step out of your comfort zone

# What Do Resumes Do?

Identify your value to the employer

- Highlight work accomplishments, experience, and education
- Emphasize <u>skills</u> that <u>match job</u> requirements

Resume purpose: to make you appear to be the ideal candidate for your dream job...it is a marketing tool!

# 1. Contact Information

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# 2. Career Summary

PURPOSE: **Catch** the reader's attention. Entice them to <u>continue</u> reading.

### **Information Systems Security Associate**

A dedicated team player pursuing a career transition into the IS industry combining by education and transferrable experience such as: accounts management, record security, auditing, and information assurance. Trained leader with outstanding interpersonal communication skills. Expert problem solver with advanced critical thinking skills.

Personnel Management Systems Administrator Team Building Risk Management Process Improvement Resource Protection Training and Development Customer Service Six Sigma White Belt

# 3. Professional Experience

- Chronological format
- Skill set format
- Volunteerism
- Special projects
  - Recommend bullet format
  - Putting in Months / Year
  - Highlight achievements, accomplishments, recognition, and numbers

Analyzed and streamlined existing production process resulting in 20% savings in production costs

Ranked top sales person of the year increasing product revenue 30% over last year."

# 4. Education & Training

- > List School, Degree, Date Completed
- Add Minor if relevant
- > Add Coursework if you lack job experience
- > Internships and Special Projects
  - May go on top or bottom depending on experience.
  - > GPA if above 3.5
  - School Recognitions
  - > Specialized Training (length and date)

# 5. "Extras"

Technology Skills Equipment Skills Honors and Awards Public Speaking **Publications** Committees and Task Forces Professional Affiliations Volunteerism Languages

### <u>Arrangement - Styles</u>

### Chronological

- Begins with your most recent position and other jobs in reverse chronological order
- Most Common, widely received and trusted
- Works well for job seekers with a strong, solid work history

#### **Functional**

- Focuses on your skills and experience rather than your chronological work history
- Used most often by people changing careers or those with employment gaps
- By highlighting skills rather than history one can emphasize that he or she is qualified

### Combination

- Mix between functional and chronological
- The top of the resume is a list of one's skills and qualifications.
   The bottom or second page is one's chronologic work history

### Scannable Type

### 85% of resumes are never seen by a HUMAN!

Most employers use software to help them to conduct an initial screening of resumes.

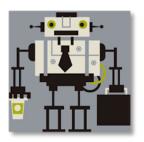
These <u>Applicant Tracking Systems</u> (ATS) screen out or reject an estimated 70% or more of the resumes submitted either because the documents don't reflect the desired qualifications or are formatted in a way that the system can't read.

### "Knockout" Keywords or Answers

- Legal and Logistical able to work in US, geographical area
- Basic Qualifications Do you have X degree or license

#### **Hot Match**

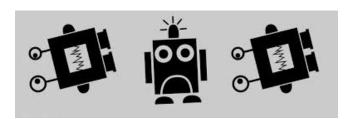
- Analyzes and rates applicants against job descriptions
- Rates match at 50%, 75%, and 90%



# Word it out

# customers develop capabilities curriculum individual related required required laborers learning organization global accessible Accounts addition achieve company ensure all time daily dock provide strategy Lead Maintains identify Operational damage pick-ups actual administrative materials policy pick-ups actual administrative materials policy reports sheets issues work levels gaps staffing safe action additional including timely routes adherence performance accidents timely efficient business responsible other administration service concerning DUTIES delivery information

# **Beat the Bots**



# Job Scan

#### STEP 1: PASTE OR UPLOAD RESUME

United States Air Force (1997 to Present) FACILITY/PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- Provided accountability for coordinating management of six related projects valued at \$250K, directed toward strategic leaderships needs and other organizational objectives.
- Assisted in facilitating a \$550K Audio visual upgrade project, ensured organization received best possible pricing; aided in determination of product use as it sourced eight different seminar rooms in a \$43M Conferencing Center.
- Guided a 30K Wireless phone connectivity project which enhanced mission support for 9K personnel increasing capabilities by 90%.
   EXECUTIVE/PROGRAM MANAGEMENT
- Clarified restraints in organizational tasker account, identified and accounted for 93 unused program licenses- result was reduction of need by 31% and avoided \$75K in cost.
- Facilitated and processed 1200+ personnel reports through organizations appraisal website with an outcome of a 100% accuracy rating.
- Simplified organization scheduling process; formulated direct access to customers through website registration — reduced scheduling requirements by 50%

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

Clear resume

#### STEP 2: PASTE JOB DESCRIPTION

to identify successful and unsuccessful project elements.

\*Develop best practices and tools for project execution and management.

#### Acquisition & Deployment

- \*Estimate the resources and participants needed to achieve project goals.
- Draft and submit budget proposals, and recommend subsequent budget changes where necessary.
- Where required, negotiate with other department managers for the acquisition of required personnel from within the company to complete project related tasks.
- \*Determine and assess need for additional staff and/or consultants and make the appropriate recruitments if necessary during project cycle.

#### Operational Management

- \*Direct and manage project development from beginning to end.
- \*Develop full-scale project plans and associated communications documents.
- Delegate tasks and responsibilities to appropriate personnel.
- \*Identify and resolve issues and conflicts within the project team.
- \*Identify and manage project dependencies and critical path.
- \*Develop and deliver progress reports, proposals, requirements documentation,

Clear job description

# LinkedIn



### LinkedIn is the most popular professional network.

- ★ Built with recruiting in mind, LinkedIn is all about professional experience and skills – great information for recruiters, especially when you're looking for a specific skill set.
- Make sure your posting has plenty of specifics so your candidates can quickly assess whether the position is a good fit.



89%

of recruiters have hired someone through LinkedIn.



10,200,000 applicants found their job on Linkedln.



### **Premium Services:**

- 1. Profile Views Shows everyone that has viewed your profile in the last 90 days.
- InMail 5 InMails per month.
   Can be carried over.
- 3. Advanced Search Fine tune your search for people and companies.

# LinkedIn

Moving due to a permanent change of station or transitioning from the military?

- You now have access to the most powerful jobhunting tool.
- SECO and LinkedIn offer military spouses moving due to a PCS and within 6 months of separating from the military access to a one-year LI premium.
  - Open Network Allow anyone to connect with you.
- Competition Level See where you stand before applying
- 6. LI Learning Access to 12K courses

# LinkedIn



Users with complete profiles are 40x more likely to receive opportunities through LinkedIn than someone with an incomplete profile.

### How to become an All-Star

- 1. Your industry and location
- 2. An up-to-date current position (with a description)
- 3. Two past positions
- 4. Your education
- 5. Your skills (minimum of 3)
- 6. A profile photo
- 7. At least 50 connections

# LinkedIn

### The Best Profiles Include:

- 1. Professional Picture
- 2. A LinkedIn Banner
- 3. Customized URL
- 4. Header with Keywords
- 5. Summary that is catchy
- 6. Experience with numbers and accomplishments
- 7. Volunteerism
- 8. Skills and Endorsements
- 9. Recommendations
- 10. 200+ Connections
- 11. Engagement

# indeed®

# Do recruiters want quantity or quality?

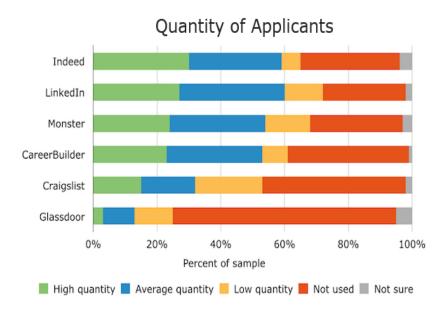
# Do you want to apply for job where everyone else is?

Indeed is the best place to find the most jobs. However, it is the worst place to apply for jobs.

Use it...but separate yourself from the competition

#### **Indeed Delivers the Highest Quantity of Applicants**

Another key consideration needed to determine a job board's worth: How many applicants does it deliver? When we asked recruiters to rate each job board in terms of how many candidates they received from it, Indeed came in first place, with 30 percent of recruiters saying the site delivers a "high quantity" of applicants. In second place, with 27 percent, was LinkedIn.



In terms of quantity, Monster was a much closer runner-up than when delivering quality candidates. Twenty-four percent of respondents said that Monster delivered a "high quantity" of candidates, compared to just 8 percent giving the job board high ratings for "high-quality" candidates.



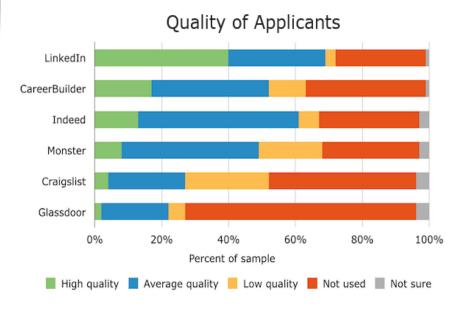
# Why does LI dominate in this category?

# Is this where you should be performing your search?

This is where you should put your time and energy. It is where the recruiters lurk and where they are spending their money.

#### LinkedIn Delivers the Highest Quality of Applicants

We asked recruiters to rate the quality level of the applicants they receive through each job board. According to our survey, the majority (40 percent) of recruiters note that LinkedIn delivers "high-quality" applicants.



The runners-up, CareerBuilder and Indeed, were described as delivering "high-quality" job candidates by only 17 and 13 percent of recruiters, respectively. On the other end of the spectrum, Monster, Craigslist and Glassdoor delivered the fewest "high-quality" candidates.

# Let's say you are looking for a position with a company...

✓ Greater Nashville Area, TN



#### Lyft Operations Center Specialist Promoted

#### Lvft

Nashville, TN, US

The ideal candidate is someone who is energetic, calculating and well-prepared and maintains a passion for technology and current events with the ability to juggle several, ... app.greenhouse.io



1 connection works here

■ PREMIUM Top 50% among applicants · +58% headcount growth over 2 years

2 weeks ago



#### Claims Customer Care Specialist Promoted

#### Lyft

Nashville, TN, US

We are looking for best in class service professionals and will provide the training needed. We're looking for someone motivated to go above and beyond for our community members... app.greenhouse.io



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#### Manager, Learning Experience & Design

#### Lyft

Nashville, TN, US

We are seeking a fast-learning, results-oriented, and adaptive leader to create, implement, and continuously improve the associate and partner training experience. As part of ... app.greenhouse.io

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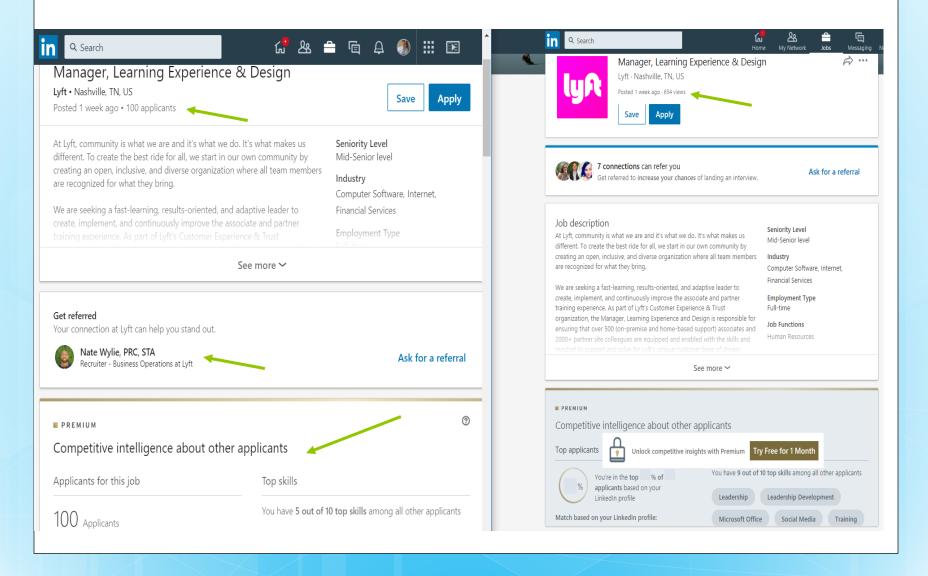
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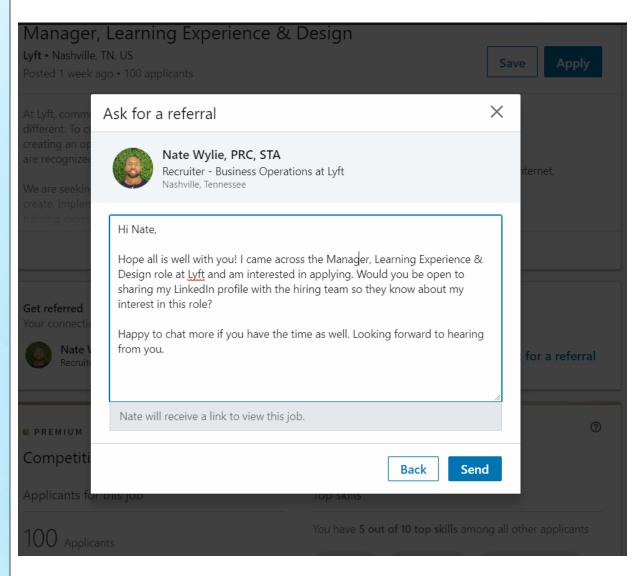
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Messaging

#### **Premium Account**

### **Standard Account**





#### Ask for the Referral

- Edit the message to show your qualifications.
- This could increase your chances 11x

# LinkedIn

# Company Research

### Need to know about the company:

- Mission statement
- Company culture
- Industry events/forecast



### Where to find the info:

- Company website
- Glassdoor.com Interview questions and employee feedback
- LinkedIn
- Social Media -- Facebook, Google+ and Twitter
  - □ Like or follow the company to get updates

# Cover Letters

- ✓ Highlight abilities
- ✓ Display Company knowledge
- ✓ Personalize <u>every</u> cover letter
- ✓ Your sales pitch -- a

  MUST!!

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February 22, 20xx

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Dear Mr. Smith:

I was pleased to learn of your need for a dedicated ICU Staff Nurse. With solid experience and education in prevailing ICU practices, acute patient care, family relations, and staff development, I am prepared to become an immediate contributor to your team.

The following are highlights of my qualifications and accomplishments:

- Extensive experience in ICU, CCU, Emergency, and Medical Surgical environments.
- In-depth knowledge of administration that includes admissions, assessment, treatment, referral, and education.
- Frequent commendations by patients and families for providing exceptional care.
- Employee awards for dedication, performance, leadership, and patient advocacy.

My strong initiative and exceptional organizational skills, combined with my ability to work well under pressure, allow me to play a crucial role in fast-paced, patient-centered environments. Furthermore, with a history of success contributing to the healthcare community, patients, and their families, I will immediately impact operations at Clipper Emergency Center.

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# **Cover Letter Writing Tips**

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### Introduction: Keep it brief

• If no name is available, avoid

### **Body:** Summarize qualifications

- Include numbers and specific results
- Use paragraphs and/or bullets choose style that best showcases the information

# **Closing:** Establish expectations for next step

- Be assertive yet polite
- Indicate follow-up

# Write a Winning Cover Letter

### Four approaches:

- Traditional: Briefly state why you are writing
- Interest-Piquing: Start off with impressive information to grab immediate attention
- Drop Names: Let referral do the work.
- Who You Are: Important to communicate in every letter.

# Thank You Letter/Card

### Often overlooked!

- Shows your genuine interest
- Reminds the hiring manager to contact you
- Send after every interview
- > Be brief
- Send within 24 hours
- Use e-mail as last resort

# **Social Recruiting**

Social recruiting has enhanced the way companies find and vet candidates.

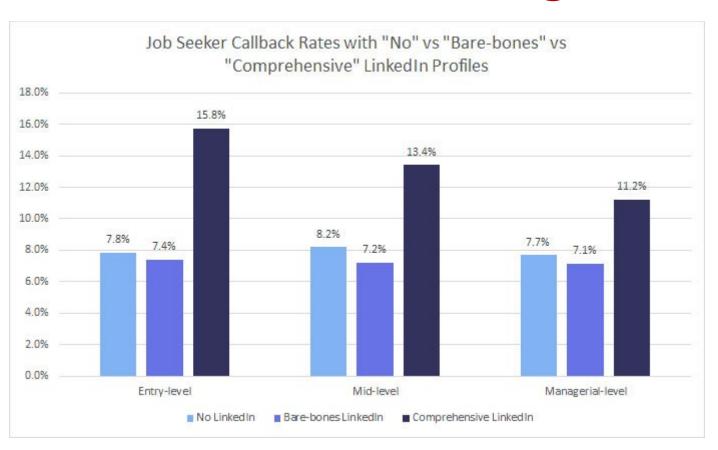
Percentage of Improvement in:



If you have a good version of your resume, do hiring managers really care whether or not you have <u>a LinkedIn profile</u>?

<u>According to a new study</u>, the answer is an overwhelming **YES!!** 

# **Social Recruiting**



### Congratulations –

You are on your way to creating outstanding resumes that will enhance your career brand.

### Now it is time to Network!!

#### Contact us for:

- ✓ One-on-one resume reviews
- Attend our other workshops
- ✓ Go to Networking events and Job Fairs
- ✓ Participate on LinkedIn
- ✓ Pay it forward



# **ICE Comment Card**



Please take a moment to tell leadership about the wonderful services offered at the M&FRC