How to Apply for a Job in Handshake

Handshake has job postings just for students that will give you personalized job recommendations based on the information you provide on your profile—so you can find jobs and internships that are right for you. Recruiters are five times more likely to proactively reach out to you with job opportunities and event invitations if your profile is complete.

Every student who would like to apply for a position using handshake needs to create their application by following the steps below:

Log in to <u>www.my.utrgv.edu</u> and enter your UTRGV credentials



Click on the Handshake icon on the left-hand side from the **Applications** menu:





Go to your initials top right corner and click on "My Profile" to get started:

Completing "Your Profile"

In Handshake, every student profile has a "Profile Level" bar or what we call a Profile Completion bar. Once the percentage is at 100%, this means all the sections of your profile are complete.



You can drive up your profile completion, thus making your profile more appealing to employers, by filling out all the different areas of your profile. Here are the steps you can take to drive that Profile Level up to green.

If there are already details in your profile, this means that UTRGV has pre-loaded your information, usually based on data from the school registrar. Check to be sure all pre-loaded information is correct, especially your major and GPA (if included); if you find any errors, contact Career Center to correct it, as Handshake is unable to change any of your profile data.

1. Begin with My Journey and list your experiences and skills.

Add Photo	What are you passionate about? What are you looking for on Handshake? What are your experiences or skills?
	Type your introduction
Sandra The University of Texas Rio	
Bachelors, Public Affairs	
Graduates July 2020	
Masters • GPA: 3.04	Education
	The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley primary education Bachelors, College of Liberal Arts
Your profile is 15% complete	Ending Jul 2020
	Cumulative GPA: 3.04

2. Fill out your **Education Section**. Click the pencil next to UTRGV name and the fields will open. Make sure you have your Major and Start/End Dates filled out.

Graduates July 2020 Masters • GPA: 3.04	Education The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley primary education
Your profile is 15% complete	Bachelors, College of Liberal Arts Ending Jul 2020 Major in Public Affairs Cumulative GPA: 3.04
Add Primary Education	Add School
Add Work Experiences	

Masters • GPA: 3.04	Education		
	School	Name	
Your profile is 15% complete	The Un	iversity of Texas Rio Grande Valley	<u></u>
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- 3. Previous work experience: Have you had a part-time job, internship, work study, research position and or volunteered? Employers like to see that you've taken on responsibility, and that these experiences have helped you develop valuable skills.
 - a. Fill out your **Work Experience**, by clicking on the down arrow key and selecting one of the choices (ex. Estee Louder Companies, Inc.) so that it takes you to the fields that need to be completed.

strong candidates like you.		Work	& Volunteer Experience	
Make GPA Public		8	Where is somewhere you have worked or volunteered?	
			The Estée Lauder Companies, Inc.	×
Your Interests	Ø		The Estée Lauder Companies, Inc.	

Continuation: Make sure your **Work Experience** has a Job title, Employer, Time Period and Location and Description of the job duties performed.

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Your Interests	0	<u>* Employer</u>	
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Are you currently looking for a job?		* Start Date	End Date 🗌 Current Position
JOB INTERESTS		July ~ 2020 ~	July ~ 2020 ~
On-Campus Job • Part-Time		Location	
CITIES		Enter the city in which you worked	
What cities would you consider?		Description	
ROLES		Description	
What roles interest you?			

Once all fields have been completed, click on "Save".

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- 4. **Clubs and organizations**: These signal your specific interests, affinity groups, and participation and involvement on campus.
 - a. Add an **Organization and Extracurricular Activities**, if applicable. Make sure your Position, Organization, Time Period and Location and Description are filled.

*	<u>* Position</u>		
	* Organization		
	National Honors Society		× *
	Time Period		
	* Start Date	End Date	Current Position
	July ~ 2020 ~	July	✓ 2020 ✓
	Location		
	Enter the city in which you worked		

Once all fields have been completed, click on "Save".

5. Add **Courses** taken by clicking on the down arrow key.

	What is a course that you have taken?	
	Course name	Add
	Public Speaking	^
	Linear Algebra	
Project	Corporate Finance	
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.	Calculus I	
	Social Psychology	•

6. Add **Projects** taken by completing Name, Position, Time Period, Description.

Position				
URL				
Time Period				
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Once all fields have been completed, click on "Save".

Description		
	Cancel	Save

7. Click on **Your Interests** by clicking on the little pencil next to it to complete the categories.

Your Interests
JOB HUNT Are you currently looking for a job?
JOB INTERESTS
On-Campus Job • Part-Time
What cities would you consider?
What roles interest you?
INDUSTRIES What industries interest you?

- 8. Complete Job Hunt, Job Interests, Cities, Roles, and Industries. Once all are complete "Save".
- 9. **Skills**: Add technical skills like SQL along with soft skills like communication. The more skills you list, the better your chances are of showing up in an employer search.
 - a. Complete **Skills** by clicking on any suggested skill listed. Click on "Add" to add more skills.

NP Only visible to employers	
JOBHUNT	Skills
~	Suggested Skills
JOBINTERESTS	Customer Service +
Full-Time Job + Internship +	Data Analysis + Editing +
Part-Time X On-Campus Job X	Event Planning + Excel +
	HTML + Leadership +
Add Cities	Photoshop + PowerPoint +
	Project Management +
Add Polos	Public Speaking + Sales +
Add Roles	Social Media Management +
INDUSTRIES	Spanish + Writing +
Add Industries	
Cancel Save	Add more skills Add

10. Add **documents** such as Resume, Cover Letter, Transcript by clicking on the Upload button.



After clicking the Upload button, it will take you to the "Select from Computer" page.



11. Complete Personal Information by clicking on the little pencil.



In the **Personal Information** section click in the fields: **Hometown, Demographic Info, Gender and Ethnicity** in order to complete them. Any field with a lock symbol means the information cannot be updated, it is locked by UTRGV. The eye symbol with a line over it means the information in this section is not shown in your public profile as seen below.

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The progress bar will hit 100% only when you complete every section on your profile.



Searching for On-Campus Positions

Now that your profile is complete, you are ready to start searching for jobs. Within the job search, you can search specifically for on-campus positions. To do this, click **Jobs** from the top menu bar; this will take you directly to the job search page.

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	Add Photo Sandra	My Journey What are you passionate about? What are you looking for on Handshake? What are experiences or skills? Type your introduction	'e your		
	Grande Valley Bachelors, Public Affairs Graduated July 2020 Masters • GPA: 3.04	Education The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley primary education Bachelors, College of Liberal Arts	n		

If you are searching for jobs from the Handshake home page, Click on Jobs as seen in the below screen.



Click on the job you're interested in applying for from the list that appears on the left. You'll see the job details load on the right side of the page. The number of jobs found is indicated on the left side (in yellow). On this page, there are various options accessible to view available jobs and narrow down your search. To find positions designated as on-campus jobs, click the **On-Campus** filter. This will give you all of the jobs that have been specified as on-campus positions.

In the "Job Search" you can search by using keywords, job titles, or employers in the upper left search bar. The keyword "Administration" was entered as an example and the results were 7 jobs found.



Click on Location and the location filter defaults to a 50 mile radius.

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Click on All Filters to narrow your search.



In the Filters page, you will see more filter options such as **Job Types**, **Paid roles only**, **Work Study**, **Interviewing on campus**, **Employer preferences**, **Work authorization**, **Industry**, **Job function**, **Major Employer and Labeled by your school**. *Note: If you are Work Study eligible, you will see the work study filter. You will be matched to jobs according to the filters indicated.*

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Once you've added all desired search criteria, click **Show Results** in the lower-right corner of the search/filter box.

The listing of jobs are on the left side categorized according to the specified filters such as Part-time | On-Campus | Work Study etc.



When a match of your preferences have been found, Handshake will provide you with the below notice and will list the similar jobs:

You pre	u match all of The University Of Te oferences	xas I	Rio Grande Valley's candidate
Em	ployers are more likely to interview you if	you m	atch these preferences:
~	GPA	~	Majors
~	School Year		

Similar Jobs

Full-time • Job	
Aquatic Director (TX/KS/OR)	Save
Emler Swim School San Antonio, TX and 4 more	
Full-time • Job	
Site Director (TX/KS/OR)	Save
Emler Swim School	
San Antonio, TX and 6 more	
Part-time • Job	
Part time online Chinese teacher	Save
Language Success	
McAllen, TX	

Applying for a Job

When you are ready to apply for a job, click on Apply, or Quick Apply, as applicable for that particular job.

<u>Quick Apply</u>: indicates that the application isn't external, there are no documents required for that job posting, and you meet all of the employer preferences. Click on "Quick Apply".

<u>10058 Summer20 DW</u> Student Academic Assistant

UTRGV The University Of Texas Rio Grande Valley Edinburg, TX

About the role

Application deadline	Posted date	Seasonal role
August 7, 2020 1:00 PM	May 4, 2020	(6/1/20 - 8/31/20)
Estimated salary		
\$8.00 Per hour		
Quick Apply		

The "Applying to Student Academic Assistant requires no additional documents" message will appear. Click on Submit Application button.



Apply: indicates that at least one document is required to apply. Click on "Apply".



From the Apply button, you'll see a pop-up similar to the example below. It will detail what documents are required, and you can either select from existing documents or upload a new document at that time. *Note: If you do not attach the required document(s), it will not let you submit the application.* In this

example, the job posting only requires a resume. After uploading the resume click on **Submit Application** in the lower-right corner of the pop-up.



Adding a Document

If a document needs to be added, click on your initials (top right corner) and select "Documents".



Select Add New Document.

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Once you drag or choose a document from your computer, you'll see a preview of the document. You can name it, select the document type, and then Click **Add Document**.

In the Adding a New Document page, name the document and enter the type of document.

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transaction processing. Skilled at greeting customen and processing refunds, and resolving billing issues a quality and efficiency by asses	and determining needs, ringing up purchases id customer complaints. Specialize in improving sing working processes.
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Organizing inventory Processing transactions Bagging purchases Oustomer service Handling goods Register management Oetail oriented	
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 Provided comprehensive customer service and res 	olved customer issues
July 2004 to April 2009 CA Walgreens—New Citylan •Coordinated with sales associates to ensure cust •Maintained and organized the appearance of the •Responded to customer problems, provided solut to provide options	d, CA Walgreens Service Clerk mer needs were met register and front desk ons, and referred customers interdepartmental
May 2000 to June 2004 Cityland Walgreens—New (• Processed customer purchases, rang up new iten • Responded to customer queries, resolves custom • Managed daily revenue, monitored the register, a	Ityland, CA Walgreens Service Clerk is, bagged purchased items for customers er problems and provided billing solutions nd processed refunds and returns

To edit or delete a document, click on your initials on top right corner, and click on Documents.

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	My Profile
	Documents
	Applications
	My Reviews
	Career Interests
	Notifications 6
	Settings & Privacy
	Switch Users
	Help
	Sign Out
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Find the document you want to edit or delete and click on it.

On the Editing page, you have the option to edit information about your document, feature it on your profile, or delete the document.

Documents		
,	Add more resumes, cover letters, or transcripts	ment
Resumes		
Name	On Profile Date Added	
Resume	O Visible August 15th 2017	
Hilary Resume	O Visible November 15th 2017	
Katie Resume	Visible November 15th 2017	
Resume Peature	re on Profile	
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To edit/replace a document: Documents stored in Handshake are in .PDF format, so you cannot make a change to the document directly within Handshake. You'll need to first make the change in original document (on your computer), save it as a .PDF, and upload it as a replacement. You can, however, make edits to the document name, type, or edit the description. Click on **Edit Document**. Make sure you save any changes you make by clicking on Update document.

Editing My Cover Let	ter Sample.docx
Name	My Cover Letter Sample.docx
	Employers will see this name.
* Document type	○ Resume
	Cover Letter
	 Transcript
	O Other Document
Make this Document Public?	Dublic documents are displayed on your profile, where employers can download them. If kept private, documents will be stored here for use when applying to jobs and interviews.
Document	Choose File No file chosen
	File should be .pdf, .doc or .docx files.
Description	
	Delete Cancel Update Document

If you edit an existing document associated with an application:

- The edit will be reflected in the application
- This includes changing the file uploaded for that document, changes to the name, etc
- Note that if the employer has already downloaded applications and documents, that they will not see the updated version

Deleting your document: Find the document you want to delete. You'll see the **Delete document** option under Document Information.

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Once you click Delete, you will be prompted to confirm this deletion. Handshake does not store old versions of your documents, so if you edit or delete a document you think you might want to reference in the future, please keep a copy of that document in your own files.

	Confirm Document Deletion	×
	Are you sure you'd like to delete this document?	
files		Cancel Delete

If you delete a document associated with an application:

- You will not be able to view or recover this through your list of documents
- The document will still be associated with its applications
- A deleted document cannot be retrieved if you must resubmit your application

Making your Documents Visible

You can see which documents are currently public by clicking Manage Documents on the right side of your profile page.

Documents



You have the option to have your documents visible on your profile, allowing employers to view and download these documents if they'd like. Many students have numerous documents saved to their profile, but only a couple that are listed visible for employers. Handshake only allows you to upload one visible resume to reduce confusion when employers and career services download visible documents.

Note: your profile privacy does have to be set to either Employers or Community in order for the document to become viewable on your profile.

Once you have added a document, you can quickly toggle between visible and invisible for each of your documents.

Documents		
	Add more resumes, cover letters, or tra	Inscripts 2 Add New Document
Resumes		
Name	On Profile	Date Added
Resume	📀 Visible	August 15th 2017
You don't currently have any cover letters uploaded. Why not upload one?		
Transcripts		
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Job Application Status

In Handshake, students are able to keep track of the status of their application in the applications section.

It's important to note that changing an application status is a feature that is completely up to the employer to update. When an application is submitted, the first status will always be set to Pending. A pending application status means that the employer has not yet changed the status of your application.

The following is a list of possible application statuses:

Pending: Application has not been reviewed

Reviewed: A department is reviewing your application

Hired: A department has hired you for that job position

To quickly view the status of your listed applications, click on **Jobs**, then **Applications**. The right side below **Filters**, will show the number of Pending and Reviewed applications.



In the examples below, the first job shows Pending, the second shows Reviewed, and the third example shows Hired.

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While Handshake strongly encourages employers to update these application status' and have built out features to assist with this, it is possible for employers to not update an application status. In these cases, we recommend clicking on the name of the Employer in Handshake to locate their contact information on their Handshake profile. You can then reach out directly to request an update on your application.

End date

Application Type

+ Add Status
Pending (1)
Reviewed (1)
Application Date

Start date

Job (2)

+ Add Application Type