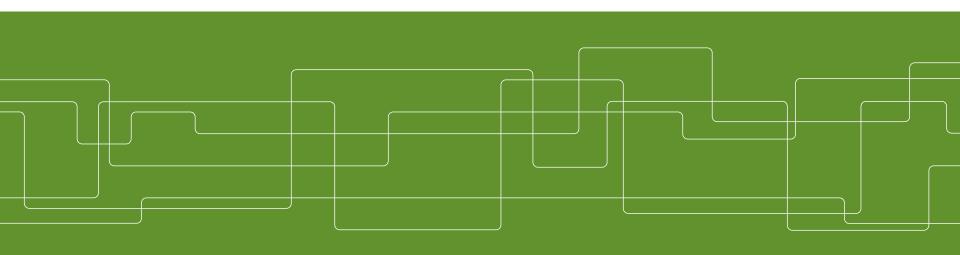


# **Career development**

#### **Master student**

KTH Career: www.kth.se/student/framtid/karriar (English pages!)

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### **Content seminars fall 2015**

Date	Content	Venue
3/11	Step 1: Career development – Who am I? What are my strenghts? What do I want for my future?"	KTH Gröten, THS student union house
5/11	Step 2: Employers serach for suitable candidates	Main library, lecture hall "Syd östra galleriet"
10/11	Step 3: My professional identity and how to link to other professionals	Main library, lecture hall "Syd västra galleriet"
12/11	Step 4: The job application. What should I write in my CV and cover letter.	Main library, lecture hall "Syd östra galleriet"
24/11	Step 5: How to prepare and handle the job interview	Main library, lecture hall "Syd östra galleriet"



#### Social

To access the exercises!

Join the career group: Career development for master students on KTH Social:

www.kth.se/social/group/career-development-f/Log in with your KTH id.



### **Today**

My professional identity and how to link to other professionals.

- The role of an engineer now and then
- The networking of today



### The professional role





Then...
Industrial society
The engineer as an heroe
Specialist and Expert

Now...
Knowledge-based
economy
Teamwork
Specialist and/or
generalist



### What is employability today?

- The individual's ability to get employment
- The responsibility of the organization (i.e. KTH) to make this possible



### How can I make myself more employable?

Education Work experiences

Develop myself

Good cover letter Prepare for the interview

Networking

Update my LinkedIn .....



### How employable are alumni from KTH?

- 94% employment
- The difference between Swedish citizens and non-Swedish citizens are 9%.
- More than half of the alumni found work before they finalized their degrees, and more than one in four did so within three months of graduation.
- Almost one third have changed jobs once, 17% twice, and 9% three times or more.



### What is networking?



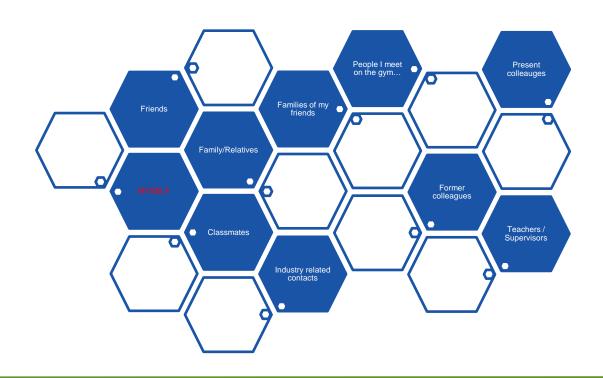


### Some rules of thumb...

- First impression lasts!
- Networking as a way to gather information
- Give and take
- Research
- Act wide
- Patience...



## My network today?





#### **ARMADA**

#### How can I get the most out of it?

- Study the catalogue or web site www.armada.nu
- Pick out five **favourite** companies
- Register for extra events
- Prepare questions, try to make contact
- **Collect** a couple of names
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### **Branding**

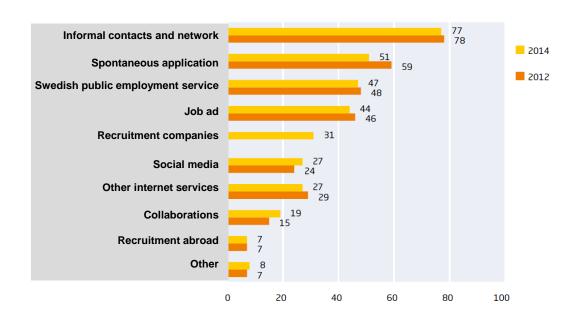
**Employer branding** 

Personal branding





#### **The Confederation of Swedish Enterprises:**



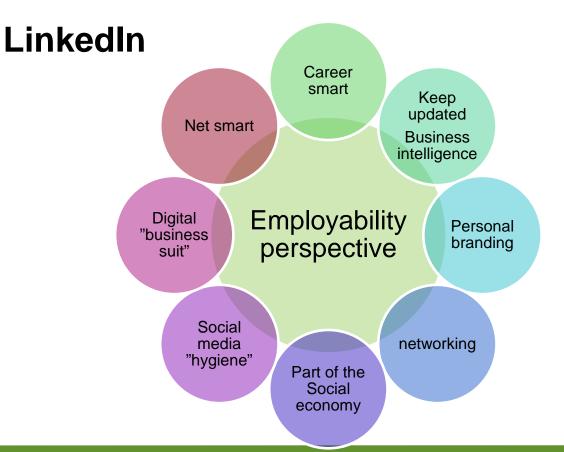


### **Employability skills**

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Problem Solving
- Initiative & Enterprise
- Planning & Organising
- Learning
- Technology
- Self Management and career management skills

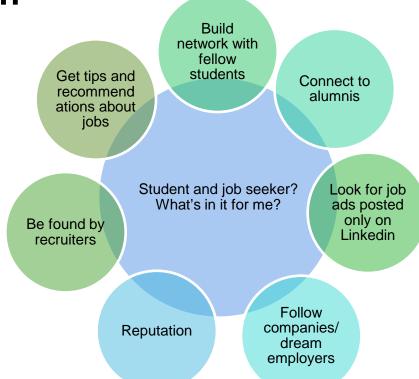








### LinkedIn





### How to begin?

- KTH Alumni: Become a member as a student! www.kth.se/alumni
- Attend seminars about Linkedin: Jörgen Kihlgren, Ledarna Feb 12, 2016
- Buy a book and build your profile step by step:

Hågård, C. (2014): Stick ut! Bygg ditt personliga varumärke, gör en vinnande LinkedIn-profil Serdula, D. (2015): LinkedIn Makeover: Professional Secrets to a powerful LinkedIn Profile



### Career development KTH student context

"What should I choose?"

"How do I find the right job for me?

"How do I market myself?"

"Am I good enough?"

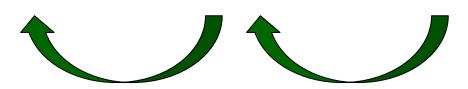


- Who am I?
- Which strengths do I have?
- What do I want?
- How do connect to professionals and employers?

Research companies, industries, professional areas, professional role

Networking

CV, cover letter, interview





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#### **Next seminar:**

Career development for master students step IV: What should I write in my CV and how do I present myself in the cover letter?

Thursday, Nov 12 2015, 12:15-13:00

Location: Sydöstra galleriet, KTH Main Library