You may have been in a place in your career (you may be there now!) where you've fantasized about a job search being so successful that you end up with a pile of job offers and all you have to do is take your pick. Problem: by definition, accepting one offer means you have to decline the others. That can get tricky. We have collected some resources that will help you evaluate job offers and gracefully turn down positions you don't want.

We want feedback!

- How are we doing? Take this quick survey and let us know!
- If you have a career topic you’d like us to address, we'd love to hear your ideas. Send them to us at acs@bucknell.edu.

Know someone who would like to receive this newsletter? Feel free to pass it on or have them subscribe. Requests to receive Alumni Career Notes or for personal career assistance can be made at acs@bucknell.edu, (570) 577-1238 or through IM at bualumnicareer (Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon-2pm and Wednesdays from 2-4pm). We look forward to hearing from you!

Note: To access the resources located in myBucknell, the university’s portal, use the username and password that all alums were given in January 2005. If you don’t remember or can’t find yours, don’t worry – just contact the Alumni Office (570) 577-ALUM (2586) or mybucknell@bucknell.edu for help.

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Career Tip:

Just Say No: Five Reasons to Turn Down a Job Offer
by Caroline Levchuck, Yahoo! HotJobs

Employer caution has extended the hiring process by weeks, even months. You may interview for a position several times, in person and by phone. No matter how long the process is and how well you've gotten to know your potential colleagues, it's still perfectly acceptable to turn down a job offer. In fact, there may be many valid reasons that you should politely decline an opportunity, assuming, of course, that you're not in dire financial straits. Read More
Additional Resources:
http://www.jobweb.com/Resources/Library/Salary_and_Benefits/Evaluating_Job_75_01.htm - ideas about how to rank and weigh different considerations of accepting a job offer.
http://jobsadvice.guardian.co.uk/joboffers/story/0,,1181141,00.html - how to juggle multiple job offers.
http://www.careerjournal.com/salaryhiring/negotiate/19980324-besson.html - more advice on how to juggle more than one job offer.
http://www.helium.com/tpc/15854 - a list of articles (some amount to little more than paragraphs) with advice on how to select job offers.
http://www.bls.gov/oco/oco20046.htm - Items to consider when evaluating a job offer.

What’s Available on the Career Services tab on myBucknell:
- CareerNet – Networking database of Bucknell alumni and parents.
- Access to The Vault – referred to by Fortune as “The best place on the Web to prepare for a job search.”
- PDF pamphlets - research a variety of career topics
- Career Assessments – learn how to pair your skills, interest, and experience with career choice
- Career Search – same tool available to students to research employers is also available to alumni
- Bucknell Alumni Clubs – network informally!

Job Leads from the Bucknell Community:
The following are job leads that have been presented to alumni by members of the Bucknell community - alumni, parents and friends of Bucknell. New leads since the last issue of Notes are in **bold**. To view entire description, please log onto Beyond the BRIDGE. **NOTE:** For best search results, type (bucknell) in the keyword field. Contact us if you have any questions (acs@bucknell.edu).

**Brown and Caldwell (bucknell)** - Electrical Engineers
**Cerulli Associates (bucknell)** - Marketing Associate
**Cimquest (bucknell)** - Engineer
**Conti Group** - Project Engineers/Project Managers/Superintendents (**This lead is not from an alum, but from an employer who works with our student population and was interested only in Bucknell alumni.**)
**Heraeus Inc, HCD (bucknell)** - engineer
**Loudoun County Sanitation Authority (bucknell)** – GIS Technician
**The Family School (bucknell)** - Primary Teacher
**Wickenburg Unified School District (bucknell)** - Teachers and staff

**NOTE:** A ‘95 alum and Financial Controller for a technology staffing firm, the Yoh Company, wants fellow alums with specialties in IT, engineering, and scientific lines of business to know about their opportunities. Just visit [www.yoh.com](http://www.yoh.com) to find out more.

Job Leads from Outside Bucknell:
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entire description, please log onto Beyond the BRIDGE. NOTE: For best search results, write the job title in the keyword field. Contact us if you have any questions (acs@bucknell.edu).

American Water Enterprises, Inc. – Project Engineer
Covington & Burling LLP - Entry Level Paralegal
Cyrus Innovation – Junior Java Developer
Endurance Capital (the “Fund”) - Analyst
Leggette, Brashears & Graham, Inc. - geologist/hydrologist/environmental scientist
Professional Building Systems, INC. - applications developer
S. Harris & Co - Mechanical Engineer
Tri Starr Staffing (recruiter) - Erosion Sedimentation Control Technician
US Bank - Commercial Real Estate Assistant Relationship Manager

Disclaimer: Alumni Career Services does not edit, monitor, or verify the accuracy of the information submitted by the employers, and does not review the background of the employers. ACS does not guarantee that all jobs listed are still available, and is not responsible for safety, security, wages, working conditions, or other aspects of off-campus employment. Therefore, we encourage interested parties to thoroughly research each job vacancy for which they are applying and to verify the integrity of each organization. If you encounter a negative situation at the place of employment, we encourage you to notify ACS. Links to other web sites are not under the control of ACS or Bucknell. We are not responsible for the contents of any linked site. Those who discover any misuse or abuse of this web site are encouraged to contact ACS immediately at 570-577-1514, or acs@bucknell.edu.

Alumni Career Services Can Help You:
- Think through a career change and making career decisions
- Network effectively
- Search for a job
- Effectively use the Internet in job and career exploration
- Transition into a new career
- Assist you in improving and targeting your resumes and cover letters
- Identify your interests, values, goals, and preferences
- Plan for graduate or professional school

Programs/Events:

Webinar: Mastering the Job Search
May 30th from 7-8pm EST
The job search can be frustrating if you don’t know the most effective ways to search. In this workshop you will learn how to:
- Explore the hidden job market to find the best opportunities for you
- Tap into niche websites that match your areas of interest
- Market yourself effectively
Contact Cathy McGinnis cmm033@bucknell.edu to RSVP

Save the Date! Reunion 2007
May 31-June 3
Alumni Career Services will be available during reunion weekend - we’d love to meet with you! We are available for:
- BEER & CAREERS!!! Saturday 3-5pm
- one-on-one counseling appointments
• to answer questions about the career resources on the web or other career questions you may have.

Contact us to make an appointment – acs@bucknell.edu or during Registration 7-9pm Friday (6/1) or 8-10am Saturday (6/2)!

Click here to register:  http://www.bucknell.edu/x721.xml

Connect with Bucknell Alumni!
The Bucknell Alumni Association sponsors 40 active clubs across the country and overseas – with the goal of perpetuating the relationship between alumni and the university. Connect and network with other alumni in your area.

http://www.bucknell.edu/x767.xml