

Investigating Companies

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When initially Investigating companies that you are interested in working for, there are several activities that can help your Job Search:

- Make a list of companies you are most interested in (maybe start with a list of around 5-10 companies), and utilize your contacts and their company websites, to search for current openings. This will have to be revised every few weeks, as new listings appear and old listings drop off their website.
- When doing company website searches, besides searching for ISE-related job openings, also look at the products & services offered by each company, to see if the company and its products interest you, and what ISE-related positions they offer. If later you get a Job Interview with that company, share some of your Research about their company in order to show your interest.
- Use your Professional Network contacts (including your References, ISE alumni, & ISE dept. Professors) to get company contacts & leads on ISE-type jobs.
- Look over the list of companies sponsoring Senior Design Projects, to see if any of those companies interest you.
- Talk to IISE Student Chapter officers at your university about information they may have on local companies, and any upcoming IISE Chapter tours.
- Talk to other ISE Seniors about their Job Search efforts, and any Company contacts & leads they may be able to share with you.