1. Professional Associations:

Identify at least 3 groups or organizations you might consider joining. Thoroughly explore each organization’s site.

Assignment: List and describe the 3 groups/organizations you are interested in joining. Describe each organization’s mission and constituency and explain how membership might further your career development in terms of events, connections, possible mentorship, etc. For each organization, indicate whether or not they have a job board, annual dues, a local Philadelphia chapter, or if they accept student members.

2Reflection and Goal Setting:

The purpose of this exercise is to reflect on the job search activities that you are performing on a daily and weekly basis. This exercise should be used to identify techniques and activities that are both successful and unsuccessful in your search and help you plan next steps in your job search.

When writing your reflection, address the following:

What is one part of your job search that was successful this week?

Was there one part of your job search that was unsuccessful or less successful than you expected? Why? What can you change to improve it?

What is one lesson or skill you learned to help strengthen your job search? How will you incorporate this going forward?

Did you accomplish that goal(s) you set for yourself in your previous reflection?

What goal(s) will you set for yourself in the coming week(s)? Please write your goals using the SMART criteria. SMART goals are specific, measurable, attainable. Realistic, and Timely.

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