

5 Motivational Advice to Remember When Job searching



As the semester is coming to an end, it's a relief to finally get a break from a virtual school year. But if you're a senior, like me, then you may be entering the job field after graduation. Many have already started the process of looking for jobs now- and in my opinion, it can be intimidating at times.

Dealing with many job applications to get the career you want to pursue can be worth it, but dealing with the rejections can make the process draining.

At the end of the day we are all suited with the education and skills to be successful. We just need to be reminded that we can do this and we will get to our dream job, whatever it may be for you.

So here are 5 motivational reminders that I have learned and have helped me with my job searching. Reminding myself these pushes me to continue putting myself out there for recruiters. I hope these can help you and keep you motivated through your process.

1. We can't avoid rejection, so embrace it!

We can apply to hundreds of jobs and only get three or five interview opportunities. Even with that doesn't guarantee that we have the job. And it's okay. Rejection is inevitable and will happen to any of us, the key is to not get discouraged when that happens. Embrace those rejections, take a step back, and instead of thinking "what went wrong?", think "okay, how can I improve from here?".

2. If you have just a little bit of qualification for that position- Apply!

I learned that if you have at least 50% of the qualifications, then you should apply. If you think about it, you are up against many people who are similar to you in experience and education; it just all comes down to who the company chooses. With that being said, you are just as qualified as the people you are up against. So go for it!

3. Your network is your resource- don't forget to use it.

If you have a good network on LinkedIn and are connected to people who are willing to help you during your process, use it. Having these helpful resources can ease the tension or worries you might have about a position. Especially if you have connections with someone in that field. Reach out to them and they may be able to give you advice on how to approach a job application or put in a good word for you.

4. "The answer is always no until you ask"

I had the opportunity to hear from SCOM alumni and this quote stood out. This reminds me that we will never know if we are going to get that position or not if we don't apply. Even if you have doubts or fear the possibility of being rejected- go for it anyway! Because if you don't, then the outcome will always be a no.

Lastly, this is a motivational reminder that I want to leave with you:

5. PUT YOURSELF OUT THERE, YOU GOT THIS!

Because you do. The job searching process is all how you make it to be. Try to remain positive and reflect on things so that you can be better prepared for your next job/internship application. Good luck!

