What are Career Readiness Competencies?

Career readiness is life readiness and is the key to ensuring a successful entrance in the workforce. There are eight career readiness competencies that are transferable across all occupations and industries. When looking to hire a new employee, companies are interested in the skills each candidate brings to the table and career readiness competencies are the primary skills employers look for when hiring.

CRITICAL THINKING

Critical thinking focuses on the ability to identify and respond to needs based upon an understanding of situational context and logical analysis of relevant information. Learn more about what critical thinking looks like HERE.

How do I grow my critical thinking?

- Conduct or participate in research projects or groups on-campus.
- Serve in a leadership or executive role in a student organization.
- Ask thought provoking questions and actively listen to the answers.
- Participate in professional case competitions.
- Reflect on the work you are doing professionally as well as what you are learning in your classes.
- Explore taking a course in a new field unrelated to your current major.
DROP-IN LIKE IT'S HOT: WEEKLY DROP-INS
When: Fridays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Where: General Academic Building (GAB) 204
Meet with a CLASS Career Coach during our weekly drop-in hours!

FINDING CLASS 2024: CAREER EXPLORATION WEEK
When: Monday, February 19th through Friday, February 23rd, 2024
Where: Various Locations during the week
More event details coming soon on Handshake

EMPLOYER HIGHLIGHTS

These employers want YOU and your valuable liberal arts degree. Learn how you can take your CLASS degree into a variety of industries. Come and network with these employers and more during our weekly employer tabling events with HIRE CLASS!

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At Radiant Autism Center, they’re all about people! Radiant believes in serving families with excellence and integrity, cultivating an environment of growth for children and their families. Radiant looks for fun people who live in alignment with their values, and who want to be a part of something bigger. Positions with Radiant include providing support to their clients through Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services.
MEET STAN HUGHES!

My name is Stan Hughes, and I am a Career Coach in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. I am an Army veteran who served in Desert Storm in 1990, where I was injured during battle. While my military career was cut short due to injuries, I still had a passion for helping our veterans through volunteering and creating various programs. During my journey of serving our veterans, I assisted with homelessness, HIV counseling, and money management resources and helped to develop outreach programs to serve their daily needs better. I could better serve our veteran population through education. I received my undergraduate degree in Social Work from the University of Illinois in 2012. I continued my education at Benedictine University, receiving my master’s degree in Organizational Behavior in 2015 and an MBA in 2017. I look forward to helping and assisting our next generation of exceptional UNT students.