

The OPTIONS Program – MASc Cohort – Spring 2022

Date	Delivery Format	Time (ET)	Topic	Description	Instructor
Mon May 2	Synchronous	2 – 4 pm	Career Exploration Plan I	Reflect on your experiences and stories in an organized way to clarify your strengths, desires, interests, personal qualities and influences using a career management tool. Create a career statement with professional vocabulary.	Mark Franklin, Practice Leader, CareerCycles.com & Instructor, Engineering Careers (TEP1030)
Mon May 9	Synchronous	2 – 4 pm	Career Exploration Plan II	Debrief the career management tool. Transform your ‘career statement’ into an actionable Career Exploration Plan for 3+ career possibilities.	Mark Franklin
Mon May 16	Synchronous	2 – 4 pm	Networking I: Informational Interviews	Learn how to conduct informational interviews that allow you to explore career options and cultivate meaningful relationships with industry leaders. Conduct a mock interview with a U of T Engineering alumni.	Lydia Wilkinson, Assistant Professor, Institute for Studies in Transdisciplinary Engineering Education & Practice
Week of May 16	Asynchronous	< 10 min	Networking II: Personal Value Proposition	Watch a short video to develop a personal value proposition that communicates the unique value you bring to the workplace.	Albert Huynh, Leadership Education and Curriculum Coordinator, Troost Institute for Leadership Education in Engineering
Week of May 23	Asynchronous	< 1 hr	Job Search Strategies I: Resume and Cover Letter	Apply action-oriented, results-driven communication strategies to showcase your MASc experiences in an employment-oriented resume and cover letter.	Anny Fong, Lecturer, Rotman School of Management
Wed May 25	Synchronous	2 – 4 pm	Job Search Strategies II: Workplace Fit and Job Offer Negotiation	Define the workplace and culture factors that are important for your career and life. Learn about the job negotiation process including what you can negotiate and how to have a negotiation conversation.	Mark Franklin
Mon May 30	Synchronous	2 – 4 pm	Job Search Strategies III: Interviewing	Learn about types of interview questions and how best to answer them. Participate in mock interviews.	Teresa Didiano, Graduate Professional Development Coordinator, Troost Institute for Leadership Education in Engineering