

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT TechConnect

For Students

How do I prepare for TechConnect?

Make note of the companies attending (we pre-advertise) and research the companies you are most interested in. If you will be bringing a resume, bring several copies. Also talk with professors, peers and others about their knowledge of the companies. Be yourself and be ready to talk!

Who may attend TechConnect?

TechConnect is open to Engineering and Computer Science students currently enrolled in a BS, MEMP, MEng, MS, or PhD program at Duke University. Companies from all industry sectors are represented at the event!

Should I bring a resume?

Yes, even though TechConnect is more of a networking event, students are welcome to bring resumes.

What should I expect during the event?

Employer representatives will be available at designated areas to chat with you about your background, interest in their company and review opportunities available.

What do I need to bring to TechConnect?

Your questions and a resume! Please remember to research the companies prior to attending so that you are able to maximize your time asking relevant questions instead of asking "What does your company do?"

What is the dress code?

The dress code for industry networking events is business casual.

Business casual attire may include pants, shirts, skirts, and dresses that, while not formal, are appropriate for a professional environment. Clothing should be pressed, and should be neither too loose nor too tight, or too short. Torn or frayed clothing is unacceptable, as is anything that has words or pictures that may be offensive. Examples of acceptable business casual attire include a sweater, blouse, polo, or dress shirt with pants or a skirt. No micro-minis, please!

Is food service provided?

No, but students may want to bring water

For Industry Representatives

Can we bring a laptop, demo, booth, tablecloth, sign, flag, or corporate giveaway items?

No. We ask that you only bring business cards or 1 pager flyers. No literature folders, laptops, demos, booths, signs, flags or tablecloths. We will ask that you remove these items if they are displayed. TechConnect is more focused on the networking and information exchange aspect of connecting employers with students than swag. This also reduces the environmental impact of recruiting as well as your need to haul in extra items, not to mention the \$ it will save in product and shipping!

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Will students bring resumes?

Yes, even though TechConnect is more of a networking event, students do bring resumes, which you are welcome to accept!

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What is the set up like for the networking event?

Duke Engineering and CS provide a café table and company signage for the networking portion of the event.

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Your knowledge of the company and business cards!

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For employers we provide water and a snack