

# ACADEMIC JOB SEARCH WORKSHOP

UIOWA INFORMS STUDENT CHAPTER

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# During PhD

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- ❖ Start planning early!
- ❖ Structure your PhD research:
  - ❖ Which areas would you like to focus on your research?
  - ❖ How many papers do you target, which outlets do you target?
  - ❖ Start submitting papers early!!!
  - ❖ Consult your plans with your PhD advisor
- ❖ Have teaching experience (at least in TA form, but much better if it can be in instructor form)
- ❖ Attend research & teaching & job search workshops
- ❖ Attend conferences, increase your visibility, build up your network

# Before Job Search

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- ❖ Prepare your academic package
  - ❖ **Research Statement:** Discuss your past and current research, and your future research plans.
  - ❖ **Teaching Statement:** Discuss your past teaching experiences, mention courses you can teach. Also explain your teaching philosophy.
  - ❖ **Diversity Statement**
  - ❖ **CV**
  - ❖ **Letters of Recommendation**
  - ❖ **Cover Letter**

# During Job Search

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- ❖ Apply to the positions and wait for e-mails from schools 😊
- ❖ Have first round of interviews during/after INFORMS
- ❖ Get ready to summarize your research in a nutshell
- ❖ Have a clear vision of your future research plans
- ❖ Be ready to communicate with faculty who is in your field and who are not that familiar with your research area
- ❖ Best part: campus visits 😊
- ❖ If campus visits happen, get ready for a loong day with full of meetings. Prepare VERY WELL for this day!