

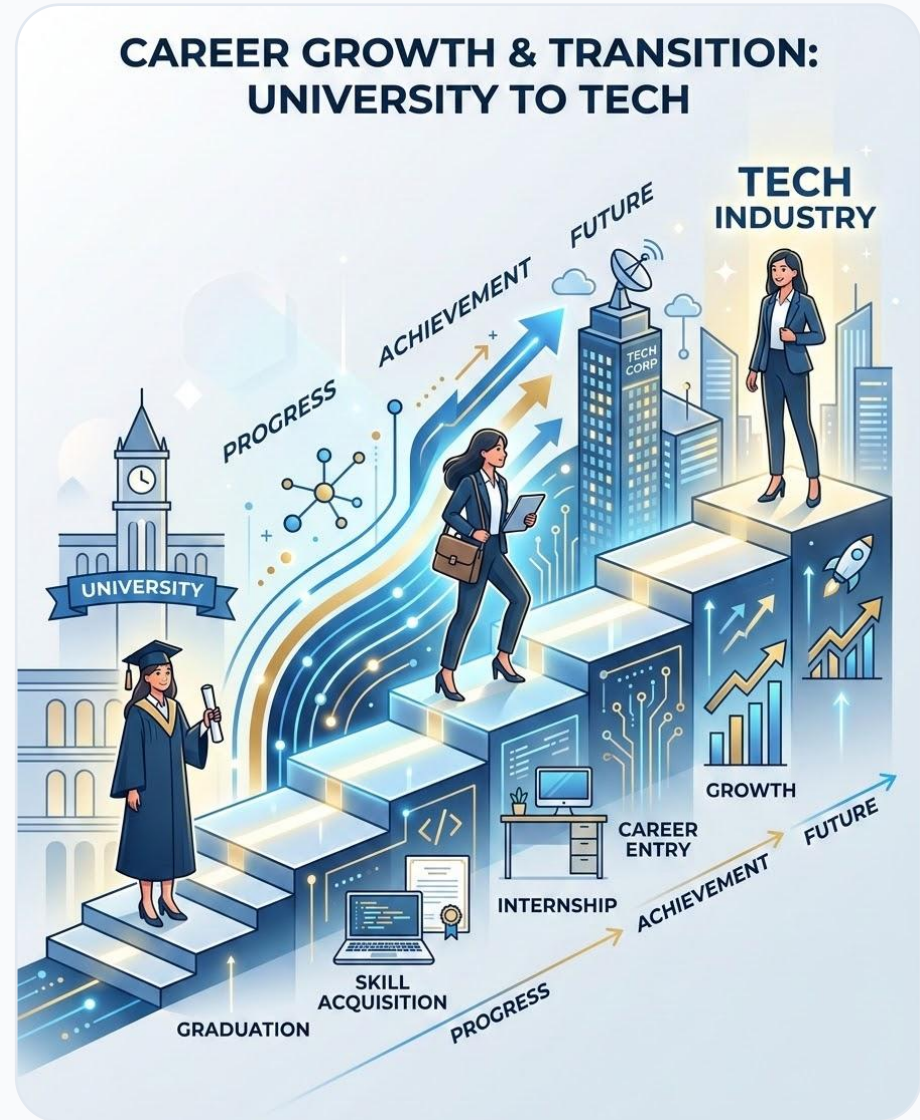


ESSC Graduate Roundtable

College to Career

Tips & Strategies

Fall 2026



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Agenda Topics

01

Application & Interviews

Technical & Process Preparation

- Resume building & application strategies
- Navigating technical interviews effectively
- Crafting compelling personal stories

02

Digital Presence & Skills

Personal Branding & Growth

- Building a strong online digital presence
- Targeted skill development recommendations
- Continuous learning & portfolio showcase

03

Networking & Transition

Career Transition Advice

- Strategic networking advice during transition
- Connecting with industry professionals
- Transitioning smoothly from college to industry

Application & Interviews

Technical & Process Preparation

01

Which parts of a resume help a candidate stand out?

02

How should students prepare for a technical interview?

03

What makes a personal story memorable in an interview?

Digital Presence & Skills

Personal Branding & Growth

01

ONLINE PROFILE

What should students include in a strong online profile?

02

VALUABLE SKILLS

Which skills are most valuable for early-career candidates?

03

PROJECT SHOWCASE

How can students show continuous learning through projects?

Networking & Transition

Career Transition Advice

01

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

What is the best way to start a professional conversation?

02

BUILDING NETWORKS

How can students build meaningful industry connections?

03

CAREER LAUNCH

What helped you transition from college into your first role?



Career Prep Resources

Essential Tools & Reading

Top Platforms & Guides

- ♦ [LinkedIn Optimization Guide](#)
- ♦ [GitHub Profile](#)
- ♦ [Portfolio Design Inspiration](#)

Skill Building Sites

- ♦ [FreeCodeCamp Certifications](#)
- ♦ [Coursera Technical Paths](#)
- ♦ [Tech Interview Handbook](#)

Showcase Platforms

- ♦ [GitHub](#)
- ♦ [Devpost Hackathon](#)
- ♦ [Open Source Guide](#)

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