

Campus Notice Board

What's new in 1998 for the National Graduate Register?

<http://ngr.schoolnet.ca>

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It's me again! I hope that everyone had a happy holiday and that the beginning of the 1998 school year is a good one. Now that the holiday season is over, it is time to hit the books and start the job search for the summer of 1998 and beyond. If you remember, there was an article printed in the Cadre last semester that introduced the National Graduate Register. If you have forgotten what it is, I'll give you a brief reminder. The NGR is an Internet service provided by Industry Canada that allows students and recent graduates to place a resume in the NGR database. The resume that students enter can then be accessed by potential employers. Being a student means that you have to be resourceful with many aspects of life. Two of these aspects are money and time. This is where I come in.

The National Graduate Register is a **FREE** service to all students at the University and College level, as well as recent graduates of such institutions. This saves the cost of photocopying, travel, postage, etc... Not to mention the savings of your time.

The issue of time can be looked at quite easily. It takes between one and two hours (that does not have to be done all at once) to enter all of the

information necessary to complete a profile for the NGR. After your resume has been entered, it is possible to conduct job searches, and even apply for some jobs, within the NGR system. The NGR has recruited companies from all over Canada and around the world to hire students in their chosen field of study. The employers that have come "online" with NGR range from pharmaceutical companies to the City of Moncton. In fact the City of Moncton is doing all of its hiring for the summer of 1998 through the NGR services! Just think of all of the leg work you can save. Your resume will be available for hundreds of registered companies and businesses to look at. Of course all of your personal information is kept confidential and can only be released to an interested company of business with your approval.

I also encourage you to visit the NGR Home Page to see what else is offered. There is a newsletter released online called the "Node" that has job search tools, hints for writing resumes, and information about job trends. One of the links from the NGR site is Campus WorkLink. This site offers job postings for employers who are actively looking for new employees. In order

to gain access to this site, you will need to contact either the Career Development Officer (within Student Development) or myself (office -- Robertson Library basement, room 08).

It is important to remember that the NGR is only one of many services available in your search for employment (either seasonal or permanent). Therefore, it is necessary to explore other options both on and off of the Internet. Keep searching the newspapers and local bulletin boards and the Career Development Centre for job postings.

If you would like any information regarding either the NGR or Campus WorkLink or would like assistance in entering your resume into the NGR database please contact me. My name is Erin McCrady, and my phone number is 566-0792 and e-mail jmccrady@upe.ca. I will be in my office on Mondays from 9:30 am - 11:30 am, and 12:30 noon until 3:00 p.m.

And
Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

If you would like to make an appointment outside of my office hours please call and something will be arranged. Also, keep your eyes open for "hands on" NGR information sessions to be conducted soon!

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