Handshake 101

What is Handshake and why use it?
- It's the #1 way college students find jobs and is the only one that lets employers recruit specifically at CSU.
- All Fortune 500 companies recruit through Handshake!

Why should I fill out my Handshake profile?
- Handshake gives you personalized job recommendations based on your profile - so you can find jobs and internships that are right for you.
- Recruiters are 5x more likely to reach out* to you if your profile is complete (one experience, one skill, and one club or organization)!

What are the top things employers search for?
- Previous work experience (e.g., part-time work, internship, campus job, research position, etc.)
- Skills (e.g, SQL, Excel, teamwork, communication, critical thinking, etc.)
- Clubs and organizations (e.g, Project Homeless Connect, Active Minds, departmental clubs, fraternities and sororities, etc.)

What if I don’t have experience?
- Complete these 3 critical job interest items that will jump start your Handshake profile:
  - **Job Type:** Share whether you're looking for an internship, part-time job, or full-time job.
  - **Location:** Select the cities where you'd like to work, and Handshake will show you jobs in that area.
  - **Job Role:** Choose jobs types you would like to explore, such as marketing associate or software engineer.

80% of students who fill out these field get messaged* by an employer!

*If you make your profile visible to employers who have access to Handshake! Please be aware of what information you share online.

Download the Handshake App!
Search and apply to jobs right from your phone. Get notified and never miss a message from an employer. Be the first to see new job postings and apply in two taps with Quick Apply.