ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS
(OCI) GUIDE

University Career Services
Division of Student Affairs
On-Campus Interviews (OCI) is a term used for employers seeking to visit our campus to conduct interviews with selected UH students. The University of Houston free On-Campus Recruiting service is provided through University Career Services (UCS) brings company recruiters to campus to interview UH students and alumni for full-time, part-time, and internship opportunities. The recruiters represent a broad spectrum of industries and fields including business, engineering, energy, government, non-profit, technology and more.

UCS’ on-campus interview service is powered by the Symplicity platform, Cougar Pathway. With this system, you are able to post jobs, register for career fairs, participate in On-Campus Recruiting, and maintain an informational profile viewable by students and alumni.

This guidebook will provide you with instructions for using the online On-Campus Recruiting service. Please refer to the recruitment timeline page that provides the lead time necessary in requesting your date(s). Below are the 2023-2024 recruitment dates and a general overview of the process.

**UCS’ 2023-2024 Virtual & On-Campus Interview dates**

**Fall 2023:** Monday, August 21, 2023 through Tuesday, December 5, 2023  
**Spring 2024:** Tuesday, January 16, 2024 through Friday, May 3, 2024  
**Summer 2024:** Monday, May 13, 2024 through Friday, August 6, 2024

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 713.743.9816 or hire@uh.edu.
On-Campus Recruiting is divided into a 12 week recruitment session each semester. Within the recruitment session, separate deadlines are required for establishing an interview date, deadlines for candidates to submit their resumes, and deadlines for selecting interview candidates.

**Recruitment Tip:**
If you are participating in a career fair or other on-campus event, please ensure the deadline for students to submit their resumes falls after the fair or event date. This will allow you to invite candidates you meet at these events to submit their resume through the UCS website for consideration.

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### Important 2023-2024 Dates

**Spring 2024**
- First Day of Classes: Tuesday, January 16, 2024
- Spring Break: March 11-16, 2024
- Last Day of Classes: Thursday, May 2, 2024
- Final Exam: Wednesday, May 1–9, 2024

**Recruiting timeline**

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29 Days prior to OCI Date
20 Days prior to OCI Date
19 Days prior to OCI Date
5 Days prior to OCI Date
2 Days prior to OCI Date
Registering for an On-Campus Interview

CREATING AN EMPLOYER PROFILE

- To create your account, go to www.uh.edu/ucs.
- Select Cougar Pathway Tab

- Scroll Down to Employer Portal
  
  Under the Employer “ box”, click “Sign Up”.
  
  You will be directed to the Cougar Pathway registration page.

- Register
  
  Click the [REGISTER] button and complete the profile page.

- We will review your account information within 24-48 hours.
  
  Once your account has been approved, you will receive an email message with instructions for creating your Username and Password.

GETTING STARTED— If you have an existing Cougar Pathway account:

- To Access Your Account, go to www.uh.edu/cougarpathway
- Scroll Down to Employer Portal
  
  Under the Employer “ box”, click Sign In.
  
  You will be directed to the registration page for Cougar Pathway.
Registering for an On-Campus Interview

Once you are logged into the employer portal, you will land on the Home Page.

1. Select “Create New Schedule Request” from the right hand Shortcuts Menu.

2. Select the Recruiting Session you would like to participate in from the drop down menu (Fall 2023, Spring 2024)

3. Select your OCI Model

   - Room Reservation Only - The Room Reservation Only model allows you to request to use a room only. No position is attached. Students do not apply to a position nor sign up for an interview time. The employer will manage student applicants and interviews from your end.

   - Pre-Select — The Preselect model allows students to submit application materials to the OCR job posting. You as the employers may then preselect (invite) students whom you would like to interview. Once invited, students will have the opportunity to sign up for an interview time during the signup period.

   - Pre-Select to Alternate — The Alternate model allows you to select an alternate group of students in addition to preselected students. On the a pre-determined date interview signups are open to alternate students. As an example, the date may be set to begin a day after preselect signup begins.

4. Select your Interview Date Choice 1 from the drop down date menu.

5. Optional—Select your Interview Date Choice 2 and 3 dates

6. Select your preferred Time Slot (Full Day, Morning or Afternoon)

7. Enter the Number of Rooms needed.

8. Select the Location where the interviews will be held.

9. Choose the desired Interview Length.

10. Choose yes or no to Allow Multiple Student Interviews.

   - Yes — Will allow a student to schedule multiple interviews on this schedule if more than one position is attached.

   - No — Default Setting if only one position is listed.

11. Notes

   - Included any special information regarding the interview schedule.

12. Choose Yes or No to Receive Auto-Generated Resume Packet
Thank you for your interest in recruiting and hiring UH talent!