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## **Expo-tations**

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Congrats, you've survived Galipatia's Expo Preview! If you're looking for more practice with career fairs or just want something to do, I highly recommend attending the actual Engineering Expo run by the Student Engineers' Council. It takes place in the Squires Ballroom (2nd Floor) from September 12th to 14th. Here's some information on expectations for the Expo.

This expo is MUCH larger and busier than what you experienced at the preview. Prepare to get at least a little overwhelmed, so take some time after you meet with each rep to recollect yourself. Use this time to take notes from your conversation before you head into the next one too! Start with lower-stakes employers and work your way up.

Perfect your elevator pitch; make sure it summarizes your past and discusses your present. Also, research your companies beforehand! It may seem tedious, but it shows you put in the effort to learn about them and makes it significantly easier to keep the conversation going.

If there are any companies you are already familiar with or interested in, make sure to check which days they're attending at sec.vt.edu/expo. If you're trying to find more companies that are specific to your major(s), position type(s), etc., you can filter that list of attending companies to find those that match your needs.

Be prepared to have some reps hand your resume back to you after you talk. Everything is digital now so they're not as willing to lug piles of paper resumes back home. Most employers will direct you to a QR code or website to apply to their company online.

Expect plenty of free goodies like at Gobblerfest, whether that be cups, pens, stress balls, or even socks. Also, explore as many companies and fields of engineering as you can! This way, if you're even a little undecided on your major, you can get an idea of the careers available to each.

Don't be discouraged if you don't immediately land an interview or offer. You still have plenty of time at Tech to grow and succeed professionally. Think of this year's experience as a test run to prepare yourself for future expos!

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