Handshake FAQ for Students and Alumni

After July 6, 2015, Handshake will replace UA CareerPath at University at Albany. Please read below for answers to some of the questions you may have.

What is Handshake?

Handshake is UAlbany’s new job and internship database for students and alumni. It is innovative, intuitive, and mobile!

What about UA CareerPath?

Handshake replaces UA CareerPath, after July 6, 2015.

Can I still access my documents (e.g. resumes, cover letters and unofficial transcripts)?

Yes, you can still access your documents on UA CareerPath until July 3. Of course Career Services recommends you upload your most up to date resume, especially if you are currently completing a summer internship. Also, you should create new cover letters for each job you apply for. Cover letter samples are still available on the Career Services website www.albany.edu/career Students can still access their unofficial transcript on their account MyUAlbany.

Handshake is “Mobile”?

The Handshake app currently only works for iPhone. iPhone users can download it from the App Store. The Android version will be coming soon!

When will the transition to Handshake happen?

As we make this major transition, we are expecting a downtime between systems. As soon as Handshake is live and ready for use you will be notified.

Regardless, however, UA CareerPath will not be accessible after July 6, 2015.

Why did the Career Center switch from UA CareerPath to Handshake?

UA Career has been our system for six years, and we considered this change very carefully. Handshake uses intuitive and modern software, intended to break down the barriers that prevent so many students from finding their dream jobs. It is the first fully responsive, mobile career services recruiting platform, built by engineers from some of the top technology companies in the world, with the same usability principles employed by Facebook and Google. Handshake
make it easier for employers to connect with more schools, which translates to more job and internship postings and opportunities for you!

**What else does Handshake do?**

Among other things, Handshake will allow you to sync your Outlook calendar to your on campus recruiting interviews and also with the Career Services’s calendar of events.

**How can I access Handshake?**

Students can get to Handshake (once it's live) the same way you got to UA CareerPath, through the link on the Career Center’s home page, [www.albany.edu/career](http://www.albany.edu/career).

There’s also a Handshake app! iPhone users can [download](http://appstore.com) it from the App Store. Android version coming soon!

**I’m an alum. How do I log in?**

We’re working on this! As soon as we know the details, we’ll notify you (thank you for being patient!)

**How can I find out more about how to use Handshake?**

A demo video is available within Handshake - just log in at [www.albany.edu/career](http://www.albany.edu/career) (once it's live) to see it and learn more.

If you need help, of course, you’re always welcome at the Career Center between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm on weekdays through August 21, and between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm on weekdays beginning August 24. You can also call us at (518) 437-4900, or email us at [career@albany.edu](mailto:career@albany.edu)