Student Handbook

UCSB Data Science Career Fair

Timeline

Check-in

Rotation #1

Rotation #2

Break

1:1 Sessions

11:30-11:50AM
Get on Zoom to get checked into the career fair

11:50-12:20PM
Hear from companies

12:30-1PM
Hear from companies

1-1:15PM
Stand up, get a snack!

1:15-3PM
Seven 10 minute 1:1 sessions w/ companies
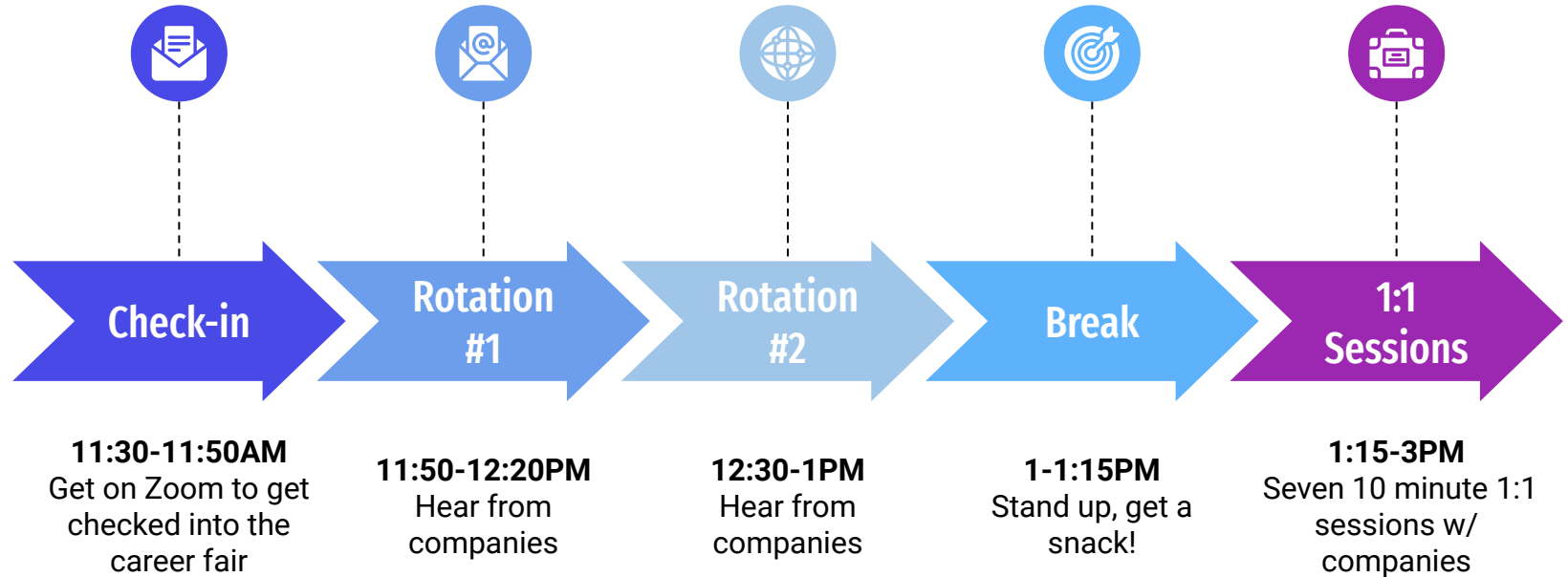
Before the event

Prepare your materials

Get your resume reviewed at the **Data Science Resume Workshop** on September 28th from 5-7pm. Zoom Link

Research the companies and think of specific questions to ask the panelists you are meeting with.

Prepare your surroundings

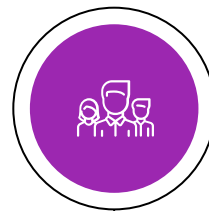Choose a quiet, distraction-free location.

Wear business casual attire.

Practice your pitch

Come up with a **short introduction** so the companies can learn more about you.

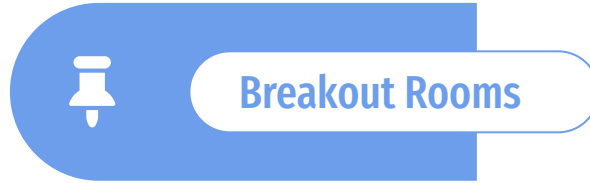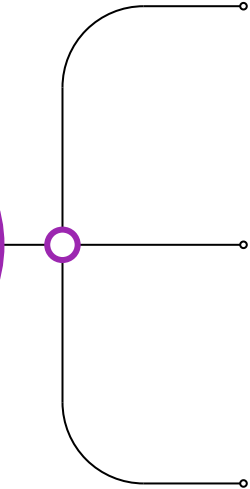Make sure to include your career goals, interests, and experience.

Know your schedule

Check your email for your career fair schedule.

Make sure you know which info sessions you are attending, as well as any 1:1 sessions and their times.

Checking in

Laptop

Join the Zoom

- Keep an eye out for the Zoom link 2-3 days before the event
- Make sure to be on time and join the Zoom at 11:30 AM.

Breakout Rooms

- We will be using breakout rooms for the first session.
- **Be patient**! It will take us a minute to assign everyone to their respective breakout rooms.
- **Raise your hand** if you have any questions during the process!

Company Representatives

- Once everyone is in breakout rooms, the company representatives will join and start the session.
- **Do not leave the breakout room**! We will assign you to your next breakout room when it's time for the next session.

Info Session Rotation #1

How do the info sessions work?

You will attend information sessions for **two companies**! We will notify you of your schedule 2-3 days in advance.

You must stay in the info session for the company assigned to you until the breakout rooms end.

What are the info sessions?

This is a time for you to learn more about the company, career opportunities, and ask any questions you may have.

The company representatives will give a short presentation followed by time for questions from you.

Keep it professional!

Stay engaged, ask relevant questions, and be respectful of the company reps

While not required, **having your camera on** makes you stand out and shows your interest!

Info Session Rotation #2

What happens next?

Make sure to **thank the representatives** from the first session!

Breakout rooms will end and you will be moved to the main room. From here, we will assign you to a new breakout room for your next information session.

Attend your next session

Continue to **stay engaged**, ask good questions, and thank the representatives!

If you cannot attend the second session, **please email us in advance.**

If you were NOT selected for 1:1 sessions:

Congratulate yourself for attending the career fair!

Once the breakout rooms close, you are free to leave the Zoom meeting.

If you were selected for 1:1 sessions:

Stay in the main Zoom room for further instructructions.

1:1 Sessions

How do I know when my 1:1 sessions are?

Your registration email will include the representatives you are meeting with as well as the session times.

Do I have to attend my 1:1 session?

Yes. **Please attend any 1:1 session you are registered for**. If you cannot attend your registered 1:1 session, please email datascience.ucsb@gmail.com in advance.

Can I leave the Zoom in between sessions?

Yes! Feel free to leave the Zoom meeting if you have any breaks during the day. **Please be sure to re-join the Zoom 5 minutes before your next session** so we can assign you to the correct breakout room.

After your 1:1 session

If you have a session immediately after your first 1:1, we will assign you to your next breakout room.
Otherwise, return to the main room.

Overall Tips

Be Patient

We are excited to be hosting the first ever Data Science Career Fair! While we planned this event extensively, we can't anticipate all issues that may arise.

If you have any problems, please return to the main room so we can help.

Put your best foot forward

Polish up your resume, rehearse your short bio, and brainstorm company-specific questions.

Stay calm! Attending the career fair is a great step forward in your professional journey - don't stress.

Companies value authenticity. Be yourself and don't lie about your skills.

Be thankful and professional

Be professional, stay engaged, and be thankful of the company representatives that you have the opportunity to speak with.

Keep your questions relevant to the company and the conversation!