



Hugo's top tips for STARTING YOUR CAREER

Learn transferable skills

Focus on learning and adopt skills that can help you work across all sorts of industries. Develop skills like listening, negotiation, communication, working with people.

Prioritise learning over earning

Fight the impulse to go for that job that gives you more money when you're starting your career. Find work that will develop you, especially in the beginning. It'll help you grow and you'll be more employable in the long run.

Forget the formal job market

Focus on the informal job market, and use your connections. Get to know people who know people. Find people who know that you're looking for an opportunity.

Be humble and vulnerable

It's okay to ask others for advice & support. When you're just starting out it's only fair that you may need help. We don't need to pretend we know it all or act like we can do it on our own.

Don't rush to apply for a job

Resist that urge. Research the company and the people who work there. Find out what it's like working there. Ask people in the industry for tips. Give yourself the time to write a killer cover letter and make sure your resume is perfectly tailored to the job instead of rushing to apply.

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