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Over 40 exciting UCT career events to kick off the new semester

The University of Cape Town has launched Careers Festival – a month of activities on campus where students can get information about best career choices.

The festival is hosted by UCT Careers Service, which offers a variety of services, including consultations with career advisors across all faculties, online career development resources, and access to funding including scholarships and bursaries.

The main festival kicks off on 16 August and features over 1300 company representatives who will be on campus to meet students – especially final-years – and highlight opportunities for internships, vacation work and graduate recruitment at companies.

According to David Casey, Director: Careers Service, "these opportunities to network have proven very successful with previous graduate exit surveys indicating that via the Careers Service is the most likely place students can access their future employers."

The first All Degrees Expo will take place on Wednesday, 16 August at the Jameson Hall, where over 39 local and global organisations seek to hire potential graduates.

In addition, many companies are hosting exclusive networking events with students on- and off-campus.

While the main festival focuses on large scale expos, a series of smaller events are held under the Fringe Festival umbrella. This offers a rare opportunity for undergraduate and postgraduate students to get insight from UCT alumni and advice from the Careers Advisory team on how to prepare for the professional world of work.

A new feature in this year's career festival is the Student Entrepreneurship Week, which seeks to raise awareness for entrepreneurship and promote it as a career option for students and graduates. UCT Careers Service partners with the Raymond Ackerman Academy and the UCT Graduate School of Business (GSB) MTN Solution Space during this week.

Please see the video [here](#).

For the full programme visit www.careersfest.uct.ac.za or follow the hashtag #uctcareersfest for live updates.

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