Career Fair Do's and Don'ts

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Questions to ask at the Career Fair:

- How large is your organization? Does your organization have other county, state, or regional offices?
- How can I improve my chances of obtaining employment with your organization/company?
- What type of education/experience is recommended to become employed with your organization?
- Are internship or co-op opportunities available with your organization?
- Are you going to be hiring any new staff? Are job prospects good, stable or competitive?
- What is a typical day like? What do you particularly enjoy/dislike about your work?
- What are the typical job titles available in your organization? What are the specific job responsibilities?
- What is the best way for me to find out more about your organization and how to qualify for various positions? Whom may I contact?
- What are the benefits and negative aspects of working/volunteering in this industry?
- How did you get involved with this organization?
- What advice would you give to someone starting in this field?
- What majors/programs are offered in your graduate school?
- What opportunities are available for me to participate in community service? (Community service/non-profit organizations)
- What is the level of involvement/commitment for working/volunteering with your organization? (Community service/non-profit organizations)

Questions to NEVER ask:

- What does your company do?
- What are your psychiatric benefits?
- Are you (the interviewer) married?
- Can you guarantee me that I will still have a job a year from now?
- The job description mentions weekend work. Would I really have to do that?
- How can you determine my qualifications in a short interview?
- Do I get to keep the frequent flyer miles from my trips?
- Would anyone notice if I came in late and leave early?
- How am I as a candidate?
- What is the zodiac sign of your company's president?
- How many (put in the name of any ethnic group) do you have working here?
- Do you offer free parking?
- What do you mean by "relocate"?
- What does this company consider a good absenteeism record?
- Do you reimburse the cost of getting an MBA?
- Can you tell me about your retirement plan/benefits?
- How much does this position pay?
- How well do the employees get along? Do they go to Happy Hours after work?