Preparing for the Job Market

Where to Search for Faculty & Postdoctoral Positions

- Use your networks (here at Brown & in your field)
- Search Job Sites from National Societies, and other disciplinary publications and organizations (e.g., sciencenews.org, www.nature.com/naturejobs, American Physical Society, American Chemical Society, biocareers.com, or www.scholarly-societies.org.)
- Public postings for academic positions:
  - Two of the largest Higher Education sites are The Chronicle of Higher Education chronicle.com/jobs and Inside Higher Education www.higheredjobs.com
  - Some other websites collect a variety of job postings for academic positions: e.g., www.academic360.com & jobs.phds.org
- Other websites collect resources for some types of searches:
  - HERC is focused on regionally constrained searches: www.hercjobs.org
  - International higher ed jobs www.4icu.org/ and in the United Kingdom Times Higher Education www.timeshighereducation.co.uk

Resources at Brown for Academic Job Searches:

- Biomedical Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies has collected a number of career resources for Academic Job Searches: http://biomed.brown.edu/grad-postdoc/career_resources.html
- CareerLAB has a number of resources providing information about finding a job: http://brown.edu/campus-life/support/careerlab/graduate-students/doctoral-students/doctoral-students
- The Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning offers a number of resources on academic job searches and advice for documenting your teaching philosophy: http://brown.edu/sheridan_center/consulting/jobmarket.html
  (URL soon to be http://brown.edu/about/administration/sheridan-center/consultations/academic-job-market-resources)
- BRUnet features Brown alumni who will share their professional experiences through information interviews: http://alumni.brown.edu/services/career/BRUnet.html
- The Writing Center helps students with the language and content of their application materials: http://www.brown.edu/Student_Services/Writing_Center
- Individual Consultations are available from the CareerLAB, Sheridan Center and Writing Center for your application materials – plan ahead to make an appointment.
  - Cover letters & CVs: Bev Ehrich (Beverly_Ehrich@brown.edu)
  - Teaching Statements: Carie Cardamone (Carie_Cardamone@brown.edu)
  - ESL Reviews: Esther Boucher-Yip (ESL_Writing_Center@brown.edu)
  - Writing Assistance: Writing Center Associates (Writing_Center@brown.edu)

Researching Institutions

- Before applying investigate the PI/lab, department & Institutional websites
- The Chronicle of Higher Education also provides:
  - Employer profiles http://chronicle.com/employer/alpha
  - Faculty salaries http://chronicle.com/section/Faculty-Data/133

Learning about the Academic Job Market

- “The Hiring Process from the Other Side” career.berkeley.edu/PhDs/PhDhiring.stm
- University of California – Berkeley Career Center career.berkeley.edu/PhDs/PhDAcademic.stm
- University of Pennsylvania Career Services www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/indexPHD.html
- Academic Jobs wiki academicjobs.wikia.com/wiki/AcademicJobSearch