

Meeting Minutes

- PDL Team

- 4 core team members: Jenny Mak, Ryan Day, Elizabeth Strauss, Gabby Lilienthal
- PDL for MS include:
 - Phase 1: Understanding the job search process
 - Phase 2: Get your resume and LinkedIn profile career read
 - Phase 3: Learn to communicate with employers effectively
 - Phase 4: Connect with employers and alumni
 - Phase 5: Continue developing your skill set
- PDL for PhDs (Engineer your PhD) include:
 - Ethics and Integrity
 - The first 30 days
 - Panel of Current Students
 - Written First Impression
- Over 200 PDL Elective session available for MS and PhD students
- English language Communication Courses
 - Small class size ~ 10 students/ class
 - Serving varied student English communication needs
 - Flexible schedule: alignment with your schedule
 - Available in all 3 semesters
 - Contact Prof. Sophia Lee at hl3266@columbia.edu
- Career Placement Coach for each department is listed on <https://pdl.engineering.columbia.edu/directory>
 - Always reach out to your CPO through a one-on-one appointment to get to know them
- Graduate Career Placement update:
 - Weekly events: Employer Presentations, Alumni Talks, Industry Panels, and Interviews
 - Career Engineering Career Connect (powered by Vmock)
 - Virtual Career Fair (Fall Term)
 - Virtual China Career Fair (Fall and Spring Term)
 - Global Engineering Elective (GET) Specialization launched (Fall 2020)
- Summer @ SEAS:
 - Internships
 - Industry Projects
 - research Opportunities
 - Design and Engineering Challenges
 - Summer PDL Sessions
 - English Communication Class
- Contact
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- Student Feedback to increase engagement:
 - Sometimes the PDL sessions are in times of the day that is difficult because of other prior commitment or classes

- Career fairs for students in India?
- Students are sometimes not sure on how to engage with their Career Placement Officer
- Students find it difficult to connect with employers in virtual environment