Human Resources

Explore Majors and Careers

What Can I Do With This Major:
Anthropology, Business Studies, Communication Studies, Education, Human Resources Management, Human Services, Management, Psychology

Industry Overview:
Compensation and Benefits Managers, Human Resources Managers, Human Resources Specialists, Training and Development Managers

Sample CU Majors:
Certificate for Non-Business Students, Communications, English, Human Resources, Humanities, Psychology, Sociology, Marketing, Communications

Prepare for an Internship/Job Search

CU Clubs/Organizations:
CU Student Government, Greek Life, Leeds Boulder Area Human Resources Association, Student Involvement

Sample Local Opportunities:

Professional Organizations:
American Management Association, American Society for Training and Development (ASTD), American Staffing Association, Boulder Area Human Resource Association (BAHRA), International Association for HR Information Management (IHRIM), International Society for Performance Improvement (ISPI), Organizational Development Network, Rocky Mountain Chapter, ATD, Society for Human Resource Development (SHRM)


Description of the Field:
Human resources (HR) workers juggle administrative functions such as benefits and recruiting with consulting top executives regarding strategic planning. HR workers are in all types of companies from large consulting firms, to smaller specialized work in all industries.

In an effort to improve morale and productivity, and limit job turnover, human resource specialists also help their firms effectively use employee skills, provide training opportunities to enhance those skills, and boost employee satisfaction with their jobs and working conditions. Although some jobs in the human resources field require only limited contact with people outside the office, dealing with people is an essential part of the job.

Be Boulder.
Start an Internship/Job Search

Search for Internships & Jobs:

Career Buffs, BAHRAjobs, Diversity Inc., HRjobs, SHRMjobs, Workforce

International Focus:

International Public Management Association for Human Resources

Visit Go Global for additional resources.
Login to Careers Buffs to find internship and job postings from employers specifically seeking CU-Boulder students.

Adapt for a Changing World

Insider Advice & Trends:

HR professionals often start as recruiters or generalists, with possibilities to move to a variety of companies and into more specialist roles. While being able to work with people is essential, more and more HR jobs require an understanding of business and technology. These are essential support positions within companies.
The best way to start in HR is through networking.
Remember the people you are interviewing with might interview others for a living, so bring your A game.

Sample Employers Recruiting at CU:

Arapahoe County Government
Ball Corporation
CH2M Hill
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
Governor’s Office
LivingSocial
SendGrid
Starz Entertainment
Universum
Zayo Group