**USRA Job Application Prep Hand Out**

Who is in your network? Who will you turn to when it’s time for:

* Letters of recommendation (2)
* Job preparation mentorship
* Who works in the field or company of interest

Top 5 important factors when it comes to the job

Where are you willing to go and not go? What are the characteristics? (e.g., affordability, family or friend proximity, social experiences, weather, etc.)

* Ideal locations (3 traits)
* Acceptable locations (3 traits)
* Undesirable locations (3 traits)

Reality check: How does that align with your financial baseline and goals. This baseline includes your current savings *and* your debts compared to the salary

What aren’t you willing to settle for *given the support system that you have?* Given your degree, experience, expertise, and field what is the price you should turn away from?

[During the application](https://csuohio-my.sharepoint.com/personal/6002816_csuohio_edu/_layouts/15/doc.aspx?sourcedoc=%7bfd26e925-c545-449f-89c4-6669cdba2ea8%7d&action=edit)

**Job Acceptance Tool Example**

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|  | **School District** | **Private Uni in MI** | **Private Uni in NJ** | **CLE State** |
| Basic Needs | **~** | O | O | O |
| Life enjoyment | O | O | O | O |
| Work-Life Balance | X | ~ | O | O |
| Professional Growth | O | O | ~ | O |

Meets =O

Kind of meets = ~

Does not = X

**Create your Own**

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|  | **Job1** | **Job 2** | **Job 3** | **Job 4** |
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