PVCC Job Fair Offers Opportunities

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On Wednesday March 30 at 10 a.m., recruiters and representatives from more than 80 companies filled the PVCC main building campus and outdoor space marked PVCC's 37th Annual Job Fair. PVCC's Annual Job Fair dates back to 1984. Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, the 2020 and 2021 Annual Job Fair had been canceled. PVCC's career services managers, André Luck and Gigi Davis, planned several months before launching the Spring 2022 job fair event.

Companies from many different career fields were present in the job fair to allow students, local community members, and out of town visitors to meet and talk. For instance, representatives from Triple C Camp, Director of Operations Eryn Rothenberg, and Director of Camp Programs Kasey Massih, shared great opportunities for people who like to work with children. Triple C Camp is an education company that offers children from kindergarten to ninth grade fun activities exploring the outdoors and having a camping adventure. The camp runs from June to August.

A popular and big recreation company, acac Fitness and Wellness representatives Ashlie Crouch, Kerri Kirkeide, and Courtney Valladares discussed many employment opportunities in their company. Valladares, director of team development said, "acac has great services such as the waterpark, spa, summer camp for children in grades K-sixth, which provides endless job opportunities for people to work here."

From the healthcare side, Commonwise Home Care representatives Clay Conner and Macy Drey shared the company's mission and requirements. Conner said, "Our company provides non-medical services in home care. Our mission is to help older adults in the community. No skills needed. We will provide training in house!" Home Instead representative Kecia Hembry talked to people about the job opportunities to be a caregiver for elderly people in need.

Another job opportunity that falls under hospitality and retail is Wintergreen Resort. Sarah Thorp, the recruiter shared to people that Wintergreen is a beautiful place to work, especially in the winter. Wintergreen offers a variety of jobs including chief, maintenance technician, and sales associate.

Goodwin William Staffing recruiter Chris Pinto discussed the role of the company, "Goodwin William Staffing is a company that aims for helping clients to get hired by a company that they partnered up with."

The job fair offered many opportunities for those interested in criminal justice careers. The UVA Police Department representatives Jamie Kennison and Cassy Chan are looking for people expressing interest in protecting the UVA community operations on both day and night shifts. Albemarle County Police Department representatives Curtis Kenney and Jo-Ann Steiff were available to help people with criminal justice degrees to become a police officer. Police officer Kenney had served in the military for 20 years and he enjoys helping people in the community. That is why he became a police officer. RMC recruiter Daisy Duitsman informed people about working part time or full time for security at UVA sports events and campus safety.

The PVCC's 37th Annual Job Fair might have ended at 2 p.m., but that does not mean career-focused events are over. Luck and Davis have planned to launch a summer job fair event in April for students interested in getting a job in the summer.

