



OFFICE OF
CAREER SERVICES

2023 EMPLOYER INSTITUTE

Thursday, July 13th



AGENDA & LEARNING OUTCOMES



Agenda

- Introductions
- Where it all started
- What's changed
- How have we kept it going?
- Questions?

Learning Outcomes

- Challenges That Impact Employer Relations
- Strategies to Enhance Recruiting Strategy
- Measurable Goals - Recruitment & Enrichment (Retention)



INTRODUCTIONS



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Director of Selection
Northwestern Mutual, St. Pete

Wedding planner, receptionist, campus recruiter (finance), internship director (finance), talent outreach specialist (tech), and global talent outreach manager (tech).



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Manager of Employer Development
University of Tampa

College admission counselor, first-year experience, career planning (Saint Leo), employer







COMPANY OVERVIEW

Northwestern Mutual
St. Petersburg



50
Financial
Advisors

1,500+
Clients

330+
Tampa Bay area
Staff

15+
Full-time
positions

Department of 8 - Staff of 2





UNIVERSITY OVERVIEW

University of Tampa is a private, mid-size institution enrolling 10,700 (8,900 undergraduate) students.



University of Tampa

Academics: 4 College Model, offering 200+ majors

Career Services

Student Affairs

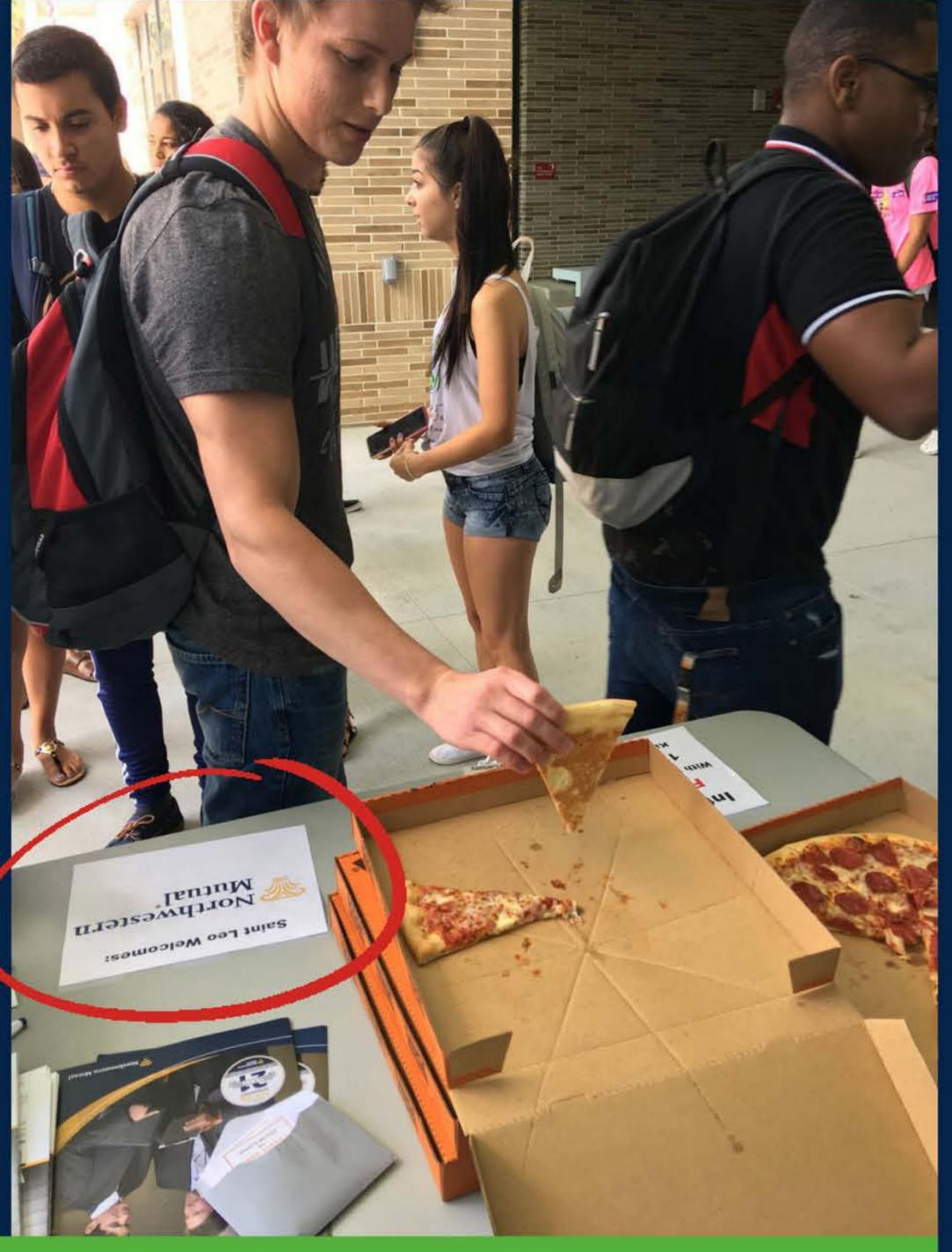
Centralized

Handshake



9 Full-time Staff

2015



& Now...



ALYSSA & MATT'S JOURNEY

Started in 2015

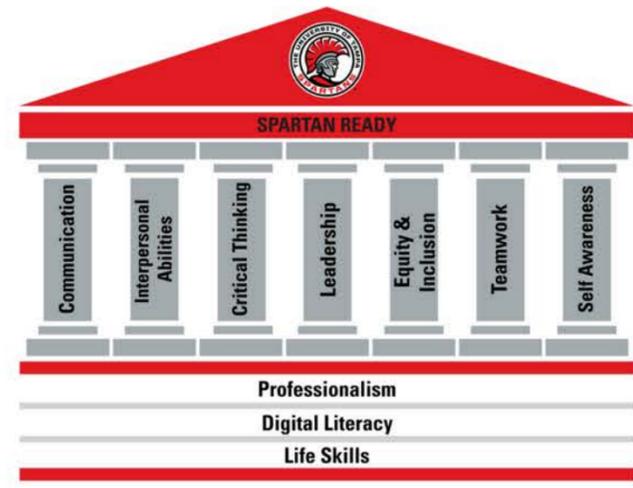
- Saint Leo University
- Northwestern Mutual

Relationship & Partnership 101

- The Human First
- Common/Shared Goals
- Needs vs. Wants



UT EMPLOYER RELATIONS (CHALLENGES & CHANGES)

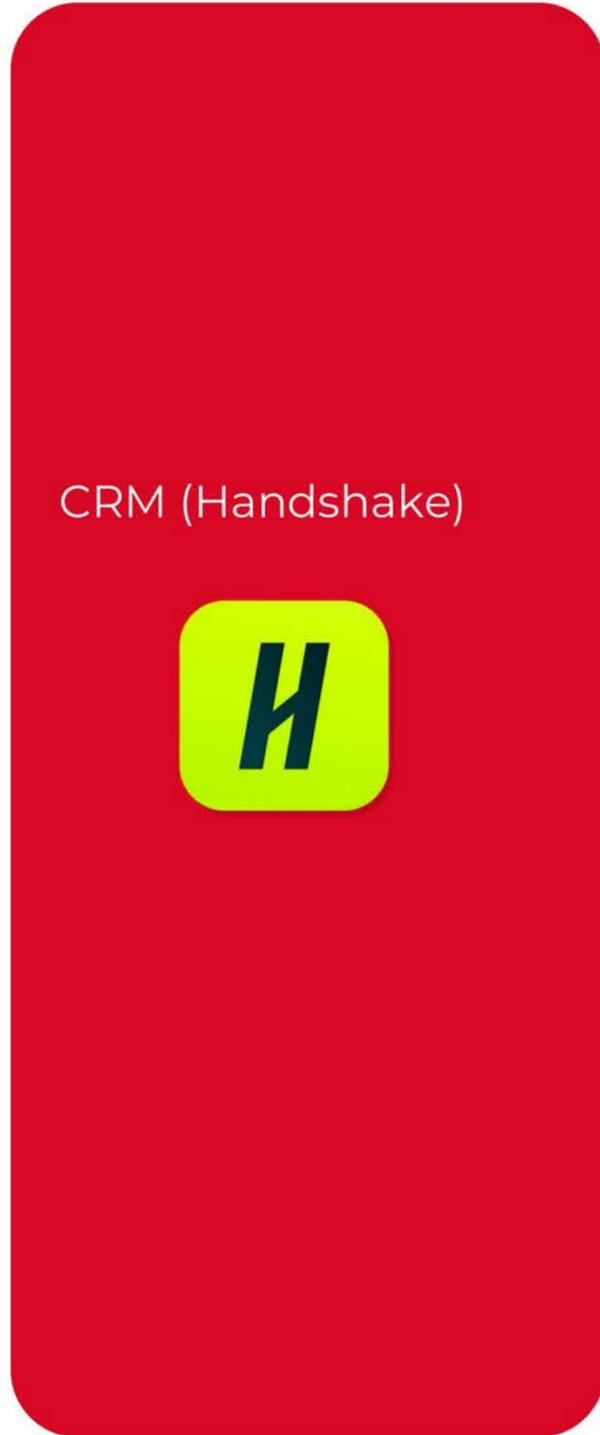


Employer Challenges:

- What metrics are employers using?

Changes:

- Tier Partnership Model:
Explore. Experience. Achieve.
 - Acquisition - Retention - Reactivation
- Recruiting Trends & Summer Institute
- Corporate & Community Advisory Board (development)
- After Hours - Mix & Mingle Style Networking



EMPLOYER RELATIONS (CHALLENGES & CHANGES)



Recruiting strategy & plan

Incremental changes - 1 academic year timeline

Prioritizing events

- Headcount
- Bandwidth - how many events is too many?
- Branding vs. hiring - long-term vs. short-term
- Special circumstances

New talent pipelines

- Sales Career Accelerator
- Start Programs

Big organization & brand presence, small budget vs. large organization, building brand presence, healthy budget

UT EMPLOYER RELATIONS (CONTINUED)



Small changes with huge impact - ROI

Tabling = Workforce Wednesday's

- Twice per month, one day a week
- 4-6 Companies

Information Session = Workshop Presentations

- No commercial vs. Educational Content

Campus Ambassador Programs

Academic

- Sales Institute for Excellence
- The Naimoli Institute for Business Strategy
- A.L.E.X

Student Affairs

- Spartan Ready (Competencies)

Development & University Relations

- Board of Counselors/Fellows - Speed Networking Night
- Tampa Bay Economic Development Council
- Tampa Bay Chamber
- Emerging Leaders



Don't Be Shy, Just Try!

- Pizza lunch & learns at Saint Leo
- Lemonade stand at move-in day at UT
- Coffee and donuts in the parking garage
- Tabling with a tent at a technical school

Professional development workshop topics

- Optimizing Your LinkedIn Profile - make it your own!

Starting from the bottom

- Get as many opportunities in classrooms, organizations, etc. as possible
- Build relationships with professors, employer relations, student organizations

Relationship building and storytelling

- "Networking Essentials" success





EMPLOYER RELATIONS

NACE competencies

- Emotional Intelligence (Self-Development), How to Optimize your LinkedIn profile (technology), business etiquette (communication), networking essentials (professionalism), etc.

Events that encourage participation

- After Hours at UT, Site Visits, etc.
- Workshops that engage students - relate to real life examples
 - Recruitment is like...dating

Know your audience

- Challenge students to come up with the event
- Employers need to see themselves as a career coach as well

Relationship building and retention

- Be authentic
- End of the semester thank you's, appreciation events, "family night", etc.



KEEPING UP, TO GO THE DISTANCE

What is different?

How do we keep up in
a fast-paced
environment

- Academic Calendar vs. Quarters
- OKRs
- What do companies have to show
- How early to connect with students?
- Employers integrated into academic and career readiness

Rolling
Applications
&
Hiring Goals

Engagement
vs.
Enrichment

Retention
During
Onboarding

Technology
&
ATS



NEXT STEPS

Recruiting Strategies

Development Plan

Transactional vs.
Transformational

Events Tracking List

Check List

- Non-negotiables
- Headcount

Action Plan

- SMART Goals
- Reflect - focus on ROI
- Stop, Start, Continue
- SWOT Analysis
- What can I do differently or better?

Process

- Scale, what works for your department & intuitions
- What are your buckets; acquisitions, retention,
- Maintaining relationships

What is priority/important questions to ask?

Thank You



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QUESTIONS?

