

/ Handshake FAQs

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<https://wvu.joinhandshake.com/>

1. **What is Handshake? Why are we switching from MountaineerTRAK to Handshake?**

Handshake is the fast and powerful recruiting platform for sourcing WVU students and alumni. It uses cutting edge technology to better connect employers with qualified candidates. Handshake works a lot like LinkedIn, the professional networking site. Students can build profiles highlighting their academic accomplishments, skills and extracurricular activities, and then make those profiles visible to companies on Handshake that have connected with their university. Colleges typically see the number of companies interacting with students double or triple after switching to Handshake.

2. **Why should I use Handshake?**

In Handshake, you have access to apply for thousands of internships, jobs and other opportunities. You can easily schedule appointments, RSVP for events or sign-up for an on-campus interview. You can also store your resume, cover letter, and other documents to use for each application. Handshake is customizable to your needs. By entering your career interests you can see relevant positions that matter most to you.

3. **What do I need to do as a student?**

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4. **What if I already applied to a FWS position before the switch?**

The hiring supervisor received your resume already. However, you are welcome to log into Handshake to explore all the features of the new system and apply for different positions.

5. **Why should I use Handshake?**

Handshake users have the ability to explore and find amazing job and internship opportunities. The platform changes to your needs, pushing out customized information that is relevant and timely based on your career interests, experiences and major. Handshake is also where you will apply for jobs, see relevant career articles, sign up for events and workshops and access the on-campus recruiting program.