

Safe Online Job Searching



Avoiding Job Posting Scams – *General Tips For Students*

It is very important for you to educate yourself about potential scams. Here are some good tips that the job is probably fraudulent:

- The promise of a large salary for very little work - especially those that state thousands of dollars of income per month with little or no experience required.
- Positions that ask you to give credit card, PayPal or bank account numbers, or copies of personal documents.
- Jobs that ask you to send payment by wire service or courier.
- Positions in which you are offered a large payment or reward in exchange for allowing the use of your bank account - often for depositing checks or transferring money.
- While there are legitimate opportunities for individuals to work from home, be sure to research the position in advance of applying.
- If you suspect a position listed on Job Connection is fraudulent, please contact the Worksite Coordinator: frascella@sbcc.edu or call (805) 730-4133 . If you believe you are the victim of fraud resulting from a job listing, please contact the local police as well.

More Resources for Safe Online Job Searching:

- [Job-Hunting/Job Scams](#) from the Federal Trade Commission
- [World Privacy Forum: Job Seekers' Guide to Resumes: Twelve Resume Posting Truths](#)
- [Privacy Rights Clearinghouse: Avoiding Online Job Scams](#)
- [6 Safety Tips for Online Job Seekers](#)
- [Monster.com: A Safe Job Search](#)