

STUDENT CAREERS PROGRAM



**March 19, 2020 | Minneapolis Convention Center
(Included in your PAS Registration fee)**



400+ STUDENTS!

MPF is partnering with Professional Agriculture Students (PAS) organization to bring over 400 two-and four-year students to the program at the 2020 MPF Convention!



CAREER EXPLORATION

The day starts with a career panel of agriculture professionals who work in a variety of fields. It's your chance to pick their brains about what they do!



NETWORKING

Meet and get to know our sponsor companies in a fast-paced, informal networking session!



EXPLORE THE EXHIBIT HALLS

We've set aside time for you to explore the MPF Convention's two exhibit halls and visit with agribusinesses to learn more about what they do and what they are looking for in employees!



INTERVIEWS

Looking for an internship or full-time position? We've got you covered. Send your resume to MPF to be considered for interviews!



TRENDS IN FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Our consumer trends panel will discuss the current food scene, including how and why consumers buy the foods they do, what they think of food marketing and labeling, and what food trends are making an impact.



JOB SKILLS PREPARATION

Attend breakouts on career preparation, networking 101, soft skills for your job, and how to talk about agriculture issues!



SCP SCHEDULE



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EMCEE: HANNAH THOMPSON-WEEMAN, ANIMAL AGRICULTURE ALLIANCE

8:00-9:00 am

Opening Session/Career Exploration Panel

- Victoria Mason, Production Best Practices Coordinator, Forsman Farms
- Tori Ahlmeyer, Regional Sales Representative, Best Veterinary Solutions
- Land O'Lakes representative (to be named)
- Kayla Portwood, Member & Student Recruiting Manager, Growmark
- Dan Tait, Global Safety Manager, Select Genetics

9:00-9:30 am

Networking Exercise with agribusinesses at each table

9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Time to explore the MPF Exhibit Halls and/or Interviews scheduled by companies

11:00 am -12:30 pm

Lunch provided for students

12:30-1:30 pm

Trends in Food and Agriculture Panel

- Jan Johnson, Millennium Research, Inc., a food and agriculture trends expert
- Annette Maggi, MS, RDN, LD, FAND, Annette Maggi & Associates, Inc., a strategic nutrition marketing and communications consulting firm
- Erica Sawatzke, turkey farmer and new mom
- Twin Cities suburban working mom

1:45-2:15 pm

2:30-3:00 pm

3:15 - 3:45 pm

4:00 - 4:30 pm

4 concurrent break-out sessions that run four times each for 30 minutes

Soft Skills - Jeanna O'Neill and Melissa Sorenson, Life-Science Innovations (presenters)

Career Prep - Kayla Portwood, Growmark (presenter)

Networking 101 - William Vaughn, Merck Animal Health (presenter)

Talking about Agriculture Issues - Hannah Thompson-Weeman, Animal Agriculture Alliance (presenter)