Career Opportunities for Physics Majors

What kinds of jobs can I get with my degree in Physics? This is a question that we get all of the time. We've compiled a listing of places where you can find out about career opportunities in physics.

Who Hires Physics Bachelors?

A few years ago, the <u>American Institute of Physics</u> compiled a listing of companies that had hired students with bachelor's degrees in Physics. There are some surprising names on the list (Bank of America?), but it shows that there is a lot of flexibility in the degree.

Careers Toolbox

The <u>Society of Physics Students</u> and <u>American Institute of Physics</u> put together this toolbox to help physics students and their mentors to help identify jobs that the well-suited for those with a bachelor's degree in physics. Through a series of activities, it also helps students identify their skills and helps them prepare for inquiry, application, and interview.

Careers Using Physics

The National Office of the <u>Society of Physics Students</u> works with the <u>American Institute</u> <u>of Physics</u> to produce the Careers Using Physics website. This page lists jobs at the bachelor's degree level from the Physics Today Career Site, as well as career building advice, profiles, and summer research opportunities.

APS Career Guidance Page

The <u>American Physical Society (APS)</u> has prepared this page, along with a nice <u>guide</u>, to assist students in preparing themselves for the job market. The guide contains hints on subjects such as preparing CVs, giving presentations, and networking skills.

Academic Advising and Career Center Services

The Academic Advising and Career Center provides career counseling services and programs for Natural Science and Math students. **Services**: finding internships, volunteer experiences or part-time jobs; developing resumes and cover letters;

exploring career options by major and/or concentration; choosing/changing a major, concentration and/or career path; learning job search strategies; learning about K-12 teaching opportunities for NSM students.

Physics Today Careers Page

Physics Today is the leading magazine for physicists. Their website has a searchable database for jobs at all education levels in physics (Bachelors, Masters, Ph.D.).

American Physical Society Jobs Page

The <u>American Physical Society</u> Career Page will duplicate most of the jobs listed in the Physics Today page, but it never hurts to double check - you don't want to miss that dream job!

Jobs.ca.gov

Our location in Sacramento provides opportunities for positions within the State Government. Unfortunately, there are very rarely jobs with titles like "physicist." So you'll have to get creative in your search: Research Scientist, Analyst, Technician, and Engineer might turn up an interesting job (the Careers Toolbox listed above has many suggestions for jobs that a physics student is likely qualified for).