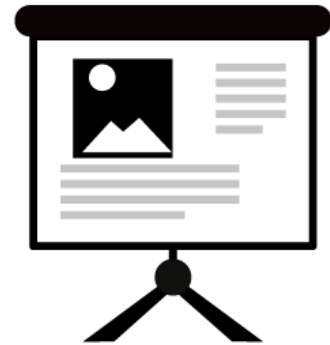


# FINDING THE FIRST JOB

CAREER FORUM



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## Event Details

Where: Bar Lucca (Vespa Room)  
729 E. Hector St.

Conshohocken, PA

Date: Wed. September 6<sup>th</sup> 2017

Time: 5:30PM-8:00PM

Networking from 5:30-6PM

Speaker presentation 6-7PM

Networking from 7:00-8:00PM

Light appetizers are included in the cost of Registration.

## Registration

Cost to Register: \$15;

\$10 for students.

Please register before August 16<sup>th</sup> 2017.

Contact

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Are you approaching graduation or looking to make a change to your current job and not sure where to start? What steps should you take to navigate your career with purpose?

Join us for a career forum and networking opportunity on Wednesday September 6<sup>th</sup> for a discussion on Finding the First Job. We are thrilled to announce a keynote presentation and discussion on this topic led by **John McDermott, General Manager at Minerals Technologies Incorporated.**

This event will be the first in a series of career focused networking sessions with discussion topics that are geared toward professionals and college students of all experience levels.

## Finding the First Job

John McDermott, GM, Minerals Technology

This presentation will discuss finding the first job. Although the first job is based on a candidate's potential and personality, all the other steps to performing a job search are universal. The search should really start after you begin your first semester of college. Some of the factors that need to be considered are:

- Determine what do you want to do, research the industry and companies
- Ascertain the barriers to entry
- Develop experience (senior engineers, projects, co-op positions, internship)
- Develop personal skills (mentor, network, career counselors, communication)
- Develop presentation to sell yourself (resume, cover letter, interview, follow-up)

Once you find your job, start a new plan to focus on a career. Choose each job or assignment with a goal of personal development. It is important to be prepared to fail. This will be illustrated in a video. The key is to believe in yourself, working hard, being flexible, volunteering, and accepting new challenges.

**John McDermott** is a General Manager of the Basic Minerals Division at Minerals Technologies Incorporated in Bethlehem, PA. Over the past 25 years, John has been successful in improving and positioning organizations for growth across varied industries. John has earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, a Masters in Business Administration, Black Belt certification in Lean Manufacturing, and completed two executive development programs in the US and abroad. John is now dedicated to mentoring and assisting others in career development.