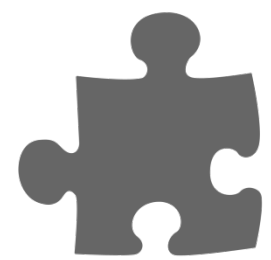


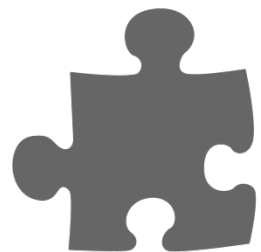
# **USING YOUR HOLIDAY BREAK WISELY**

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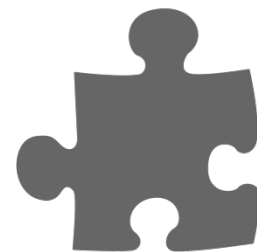
## **In advance of your break:**

- **Seriously consider what you want to do and prepare a 30 second explanation**
- **Look into a variety of options—cast the net wide**
- **Talk to faculty/friends/family;  
anyone can be a great contact**
- **Talk to a career counselor—brainstorm options**
- **Get alumni lists from CSC (or online)**



# What do you hope to accomplish?

- Research
- Network
- Informational Interviewing
- Participation in Professional Association gathering(s)



# Research—where do I start?

**CMConnect**

**GoingGlobal**

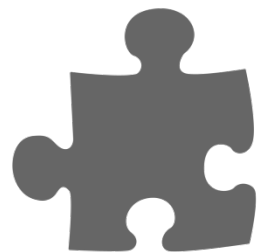
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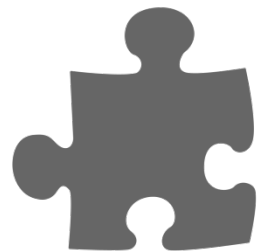
**Links**

**Information for majors/industries**



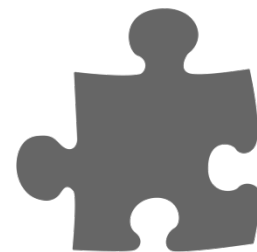
# **How do I network or do informational interviews? What do I say?**

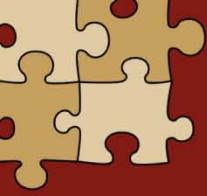
- **Do not ask for a job; ask for advice**
- **Do research in advance of your meeting so you can talk intelligently**
- **Have questions in mind**
- **Try to get additional contacts**
- **Follow up properly**



# **Participate in Professional Association Events**

- **People are there to network—you will not be out of place**
- **These are people who know that industry in that city**
- **These people are looking to meet new people—like you!**
- **Generally very positive and friendly**





# QUESTIONS?

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