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HOW TO USE H1B DATABASE

www.flcdatcenter.com

To find companies that have sponsored workers for H1Bs in the past:

1. Go to <http://www.flcdatcenter.com/>
2. Click H1B Data on the left
3. Make a choice:
 - a. In the H1B E File Data, click txt to download the text file for the entire year's data OR
 - b. Search for a specific company in the "Search H1B Disclosure Data" area (if you choose this option you can view the information via your web browser using the next link in the bottom left and are finished or download and save as a .csv file)
4. If you downloaded a text file, you will need to unzip it. Find free zip file extractors on www.cnet.com
5. Open Excel and choose Data->Import text file. Chose Delimited, Next, Commas, Finish. You may need to do this on multiple worksheets in Excel. If you start a new worksheet, make sure you start the data import with the row after the last row that was imported onto the first sheet.
6. Select all the data. Go to Data->Sort. Make sure "My Data Has Headers" is selected. Sort the data by the column headed Job_Title. You may also choose to sort by State then Job_Title (click Add Level to sort by multiple fields).

Note on sorting: by sorting the data by state you will get a list of companies arranged by state that have applied for H1Bs in the past. If you sort by job title you will get a list that is alphabetical by job title. You can scroll through to find job titles that match jobs you are looking for. You can sort by state and job title to find job titles in the state you are interested in.

Next steps:

1. Generate a list of 10-20 companies you are interested in
2. Visit their websites, use CareerSearch (http://www.nyit.edu/career_services/students/research_a_career/), use networking to find contacts at that company that you can talk to (see http://www.nyit.edu/career_services/students/informational_interview/ for help with this)
3. Apply to jobs you find on the company website or job search sites

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