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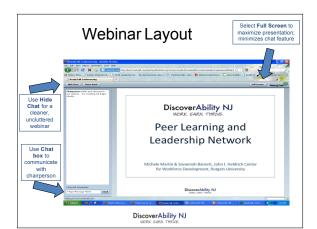
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#### Using Social Media for the Job Search

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# Agenda

- Online identity in the job search and why it matters
- "Personal Branding"
- Job leads
- Organizing the Job Search

(NOTE—we will NOT cover LinkedIn in this webinar. LinkedIn will be covered in detail in our April 21 session at 1 p.m.)



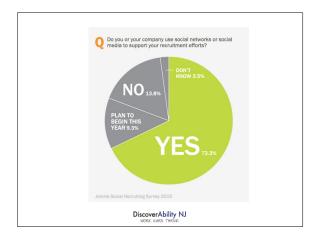


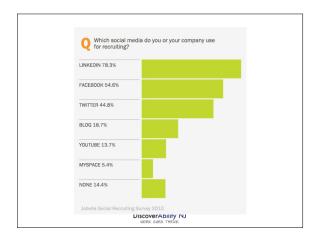
# 87% of Recruiters use search engines to check out job candidates

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# Because they discover. . .

- 41% --candidate posted info about drugs/alcohol use.
- 40%--candidate posted inappropriate photos
- 29%--candidate had poor communication
- 28%--candidate bad-mouthed previous employer
- 27%--candidate lied about qualifications
- 21%--candidate linked to criminal behavior





### Some Stats

- 92% currently use or plan to use social media to recruit.
- 1/3 always check out a candidate's social media profile to vet the recruit prior to hiring.
- 58% have successfully hired candidates through social networking sites.
- 36% say they plan to spend LESS on job hoards.
- 38% say the plan to spend LESS on external recruiters.

# The Personal "Brand"



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# Elements of the Brand



- Personal Appearance
- Competencies
- Personality & Attitude
- "Differentiators"
- Personal Parameters

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# The "Big 4"



# Can I Count On You?





Are You Qualified?

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# Will You Fit In?



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# How to Communicate Your Brand

- Portfolio
- Networking
- Resumes/Cover Letters
- Interviewing
- Online

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# How Can Social Media Help?

# The Portfolio









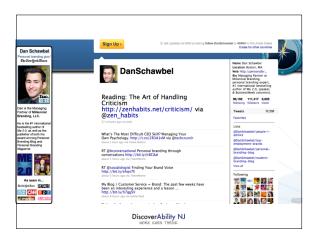
# **Sharing Your Portfolio**

- In your email signature
- On your LinkedIn and Facebook profiles
- Personal business cards
- On resume and in cover letter
- Ask others to share the link with people in their networks

#### Personal Brands on Twitter



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- 10. \*hate my job!! i want to tell my bosses how dumb they are and how meaningless this job is, then quit, and be happy!\*
- 9. "So my job was to test all the food at the new resturant, can I just say, ughew. I'm going to taco bell then twistee treat."
- 8. "Workin... This job sucks worse then the economy!"
- 7. "I'm going to work! Walmart! Must find better job! I hate it when chicks there have a deeper voice than me and refer to me as foo!"
- 6. "Also I'm really bummed that I'm working today, i asked off so i could study but my boss is a \*\*\*\*\*\*\* who can't read."
- 5. "Coworker smuggled out a chair for me. Currently being paid to SIT around and listen to John Barrowman on my iPod. I don't hate my job today!"
- 4. "having sex dreams of people you work with makes for an awkward day."
- 3. "smoking weed at work is so [EDITED] great 4 "
- 2. "It's bad when you overhear the n00b programmer say "I used to work at McDonalds with him" and you wonder if he is talking about the CEO..."
- 1. "Huh, with my boss on twitter, maaaybe I should take down that sexy picture of her... but her reaction will be priceless!"

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# Ways to Use Twitter

- Share professional resources with followers
- Provide tips, advice, etc.
- · Connect people
- RT and DM people
- Participate in #chats

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# **Positive Strategies**

- Use status updates to connect, let people
- Revise profile to emphasize professional/ educational accomplishments
- Limit photos
- · Choose friends wisely
- know about job search.

   Join and get active in groups and on Fan Pages that are connected to your profession and/or to companies that interest you

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# Keywords

- Names of companies
- Names of key people in organization
- Industries
- Key skills/certifications
- Industry trends

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http://www.twitjobsearch.com/







# Organizing the Job Search



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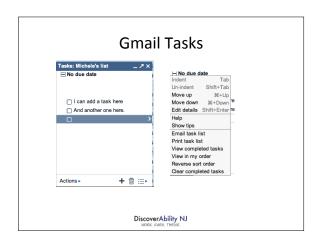
# Some Tools

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- Google Docs
- Google Calendar

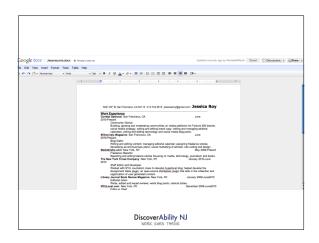
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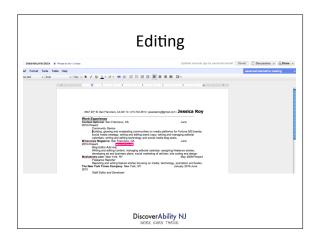


















### Other Features

- Share calendars with others
- Invite people to add item to their calendars
- Have reminders sent to cell phone
- Set to automatically email daily agenda each morning
- Embed calendars in other websites
- Can enable attachments to events

