

Frequently Asked Questions

What is FOWA?

FOWA is a program offered by HP to students at no cost. This is your chance to connect with industry professionals, get access to internship opportunities, and sharpen your career readiness. HP is hosting a virtual conference October 25th, 26th and 27th, from 1-6pm. **If you cannot attend the conference, you can still register to get access to the recordings, the internship opportunities, and to apply for a mentorship program.**

Parts of the FOWA Program

- FOWA Career Accelerator: Post-conference learning journey to enhance professional skills. Students will have the opportunity to apply for internships with participating HP, sponsors, exhibitors, and partner organizations. Open to students participating in the Interactive Symposium or an Innovation Incubator.
- Interactive virtual symposium filled with sessions that explore career readiness skills and future-ready skills needed for employment.
- Student innovation incubator competitions around different career path skills working alongside HP and partners on activities that solve real business challenges. Each incubator has prizes for winning teams!

Do I need to have a technical major/field of study to participate in FOWA?

No! This experience is designed to prepare you for your future work in your career, whether that's HP or elsewhere. All jobs have tech weaved within them in some capacity, so consider yourself a student of technology, even if you're not a traditional STEM student.

Do I have to be enrolled full-time to participate?

Not at all. If you are attending a community or technical college, you are eligible.

What is I can't attend the whole conference?

You can attend as many and as few sessions as you can. All content will be recorded for your convenience. Please register for the conference even if you can't attend anything live to get access to all resources, materials, and apply for other opportunities such as internships.

What are the deadlines to get access to the program?

To participate in the program, please register by October 23rd at the latest! For the incubator, submissions for ideas are due **October 6th**. Please do not spend more than 1 hour o n your initial idea, you will have time to refine before the conference if you are selected as a finalist.

Is the innovation incubator optional?

Yes! Every part of the program is optional, so please attend what makes sense for your schedule.

What is the Career Accelerator?

This is a page that students can access up to a year following the conference. The page will have videos crafted specially for students to be career ready, resume tips and tricks, as well as internship opportunities posted. Resources will be added all through-out the fall and spring so bookmark the Yammer page so you can check back regularly!

Where can I sign up?



What if I have additional questions?

Please email <u>karen.gentry@hp.com</u> with any questions you may have.