



## CONNECTING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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### LINKEDIN & NETWORKING RESOURCE

## HOW DO I SEND A CONNECTION REQUEST?

Regardless of whether or not you receive a job offer after the interview, it's always a good idea to stay connected with the people you interviewed with. If you didn't land the job this time, but made a good impression, remaining connected might allow them to reach out if another opportunity becomes available, or even potentially refer you to a different opportunity.

It's important to be respectful and patient when requesting a connection - most professionals will be happy to connect, but be prepared to have uninterested responses.

### If you received a job offer:

Thank them for the opportunity, and let them know that you'd like to stay in touch. If they reciprocate, send a request on LinkedIn but be sure to add a note expressing that you're looking forward to stay connected. You can also ask who you will be reporting to, so that you can similarly search for them on LinkedIn and introduce yourself with a note.

#### Example:

Hi John, thank you so much for the opportunity! It was a great experience to interview with you, and I'd love to stay connected through LinkedIn. I'm really looking forward to joining your team and learning who I will be working with directly. Thank you once again, and hope you enjoy the rest of your week.

### If you did not receive a job offer:

Thank them for the opportunity to interview, and politely request a connection over LinkedIn. Be specific about why you'd like to stay connected.

#### Example:

Hi John, thank you for your valuable feedback and for the opportunity - I'm excited for the next time I encounter something similar. I'd love to stay connected with you on LinkedIn. It was lovely speaking with you, and I'd be thrilled to learn more about the community activities you mentioned the organization is involved with. Have a great day!