



1 **Sponsor:** Student Body President Owens, Vice President of the Assembly McMahon, Student Body
2 Executive Director Davis

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4 Resolution Establishing the Online Career Library

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6 WHEREAS, the Student Government Association is the official student governing body for Illinois State
7 University;

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9 WHEREAS, it is a goal of the 2011-2012 administration to enhance programs and services designed
10 to assist students with the issue of college affordability;

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12 WHEREAS, it is also a goal of the 2011-2012 administration to assess the needs of students and
13 design and implement programs and services to respond to changing student needs;

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15 WHEREAS, since the 2008 economic downturn the number of full time jobs offered to ISU students by
16 the end of their senior year has dramatically decreased;

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18 WHEREAS, the number of businesses requesting tables at the ISU Fall Career Fair have also decreased
19 and have yet to fully rebound to the high in 2006;

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21 WHEREAS, according to the economic policy institute, unemployment in young adults was near or at
22 20% for most of 2010;

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24 WHEREAS, the unemployment rate for recent college graduates is the highest it has been in two decades
25 since records started being kept according to the US Department of Labor;

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27 WHEREAS, A survey conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of
28 California, Los Angeles shows that the "challenging economic landscape" and grave unemployment rates
29 are among the primary reasons that students are coming to college with high levels of stress and
30 emotional tension;

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32 WHEREAS, ISU students are struggling to find a reliable source of income and a full time job upon
33 graduation;

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35 WHEREAS, an online career library would be a valuable resource for students to utilize in their job and
36 graduate school search and ease the transition of students from school into the job market;

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38 WHEREAS, the Vault Career Insider includes many resources and services not duplicated anywhere on
39 campus, including: downloadable career guides, Employer profiles and rankings, discussion boards,
40 Industry blogs and news covering the latest trends and issues, Diversity resources, green programs and
41 leadership development profiles, Vault's job board, profession reviews, and career advice;

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43 WHEREAS, the University of Illinois has maintained a subscription for the Career Insider and have
44 reported it be very successful and popular among students in helping them guide their job search;

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46 WHEREAS, the University of Chicago and West Virginia University are among other schools who have
47 praised that Vault's Career Insider breadth of information, comprehensive tools for job hunting, and
48 professional reviews of company jobs and salaries;

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