

ELEVATOR PITCH

Your "60 Second" Commercial about you!

When you network, you want to let people know about the best parts of you.

- Start with a smile, firm handshake or a noncontact greeting (i.e., wave), and your name (very important)
- Share information about your professional background, education, relevant experience and skills, professional/academic goals and vision
- Reserve personal information for when you get the job
- Provide your business/networking card

Here is a checklist to get you started:

Name:Year in School:Graduation Plans:Major:Minor:Concentration:

Skills, Internship, Relevant Accomplishments:

Career Goals:

Examples:

Ex1: Hi my name is Sam Star, and I am a Senior Communication major at UIS. I've recently completed an internship with a local television broadcasting company, and I have volunteered with our campus radio station for over the past 3 semesters. I'm looking for a broadcasting opportunity with a local news station in Central Illinois to launch my news-media career.

Ex2: Nice to meet you, I'm Samantha University. I'm currently a Junior at UIS, majoring in Computer Science. I hope to become a computer network specialist when I graduate. Right now, I'm looking for an internship where I can build upon my networking skills.

Helpful Resources:

- Networking webpage: <u>https://www.uis.edu/career-services/networking</u>
- **SkillsFirst** (Produce a Pitch) <u>https://www.uis.edu/career/student-</u> employment/career-toolbox#optimalresume

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