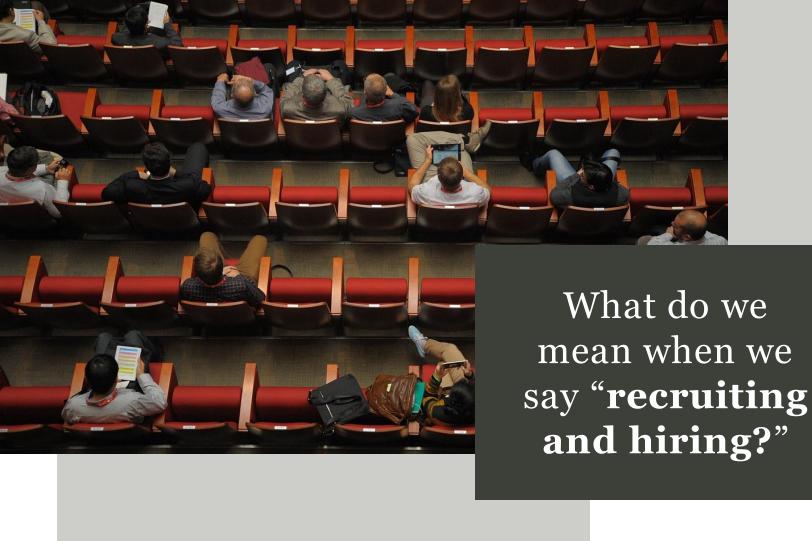
Recruiting & Hiring Great Employees

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Agenda

- Pre-Recruiting
- Attracting Talent
- Tracking Applicants
- Screening Applicants
- Preparing for the Interview
- The Interview
- Following Up
- Q & A

Pre-Recruiting

Policies

Internal practices

Employer Brand

Mission and values

Expectations

Environment

Consider Your Talent Pipeline

- Your current employees
- Getting involved with industry groups and activities
- Getting the company name out to the public

Needs Assessment

- Evaluate necessity of position: new positions vs. vacancies
- Consider impact on the duties of other positions
- Review the strengths and weaknesses of the manager and team
- Determine budget guidelines

Components of a Job Description

- Primary roles and duties
- Other essential functions
- Minimum requirements
- Physical requirements
- Employer protections (EEOC statements, at will, etc.)



Compensation

- Make a conscious decision to lead, match, or lag
- Determine the market: industry and location
- Remember compensation is not just salary



Having a Point Person

- One internal person to collect, review, and store applications
- Consistency with company standards
- Proper recordkeeping

Attracting Talent



Job Postings

- Identify why someone would want to work for you
- List minimum requirements and essential functions
- Decide whether to post pay
- Link to job description

Poll Question

Do you include compensation information in your job postings?



Additional Methods

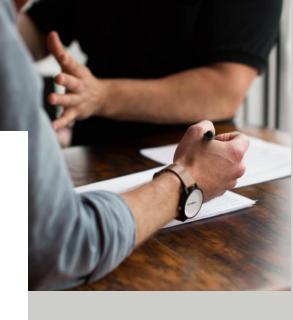
- Professional Recruiter
- Staffing Agency
- PEO/ASO

Considerations For Where to Post

- Costs
- Response volume
- Response quantity
- Past recruitment outcomes

Other Sourcing

- Overlooked talent pools
- Job fairs
- Schools
- Past applicants and candidates



Benefits

Core:

- Insurance
- Retirement contributions
- Paid time off program

Fringe:

- Flexible hours
- Telecommuting
- Commuter benefits
- Discounts

Tracking Applicants



What to keep?

Recruitment Software

- Useful tool to accept and sort applications
- Consider the application questions in conjunction with the position
- Unable to screen for personality and company culture fit

Screening Applicants



Cover letters

Nature of the position

Past longevity

Past gaps in employment

Verifications

- Education
- Certifications and licenses
- Dates of employment
- Position title
- Accuracy of candidate-provided information

Preparing for the Interview





Who

How many

Interview Structure

Where

Length

Type (e.g. panel, single, behavioral)



Set Interviewers Up for Success

- Resume
- Application
- Cover letter
- Job description
- Internal policies on hiring
- Preparation for common questions

Questions that Focus on the Job

Avoid unintentional discrimination. Don't ask:

- "Do you have reliable childcare?"
- "How old are you?"

Use open-ended questions. Try asking:

- "How would your coworkers describe your work style?"
- "How do you best manage your time and priorities?"

Poll Question

How many rounds of interviews do you usually schedule for a candidate before offering the job?

The Interview







Setting the Scene

Taking Notes

Staying on Track and on Time

Discrimination in Interviews

- Focus on the essential functions of the job
- Work with interviewers to restructure potentially dangerous questions
- End or redirect answers that are out of line



Common Interview Biases

- Stereotyping
- First Impression
- Halo/Horn effect
- Contrast effect
- Cultural Noise
- Similar to Me

Following Up



Reference Checks

- Obtain a reference check for every candidate
- Contact at least one manager and one coworker
- Refrain from gossip—stick to the job duties
- Ask about work style and attitude

Questions

- "How does this person respond to feedback?"
- "How do they react under pressure?"
- "What are their strengths and weaknesses? Would you recommend them for this position?"
- "Tell me about a time you had to coach this person. How did they handle it?"



Making a Selection

- Use the information you've gathered
- Assess abilities and willingness
- Re-assess manager's strengths and weaknesses
- Re-assess company's priorities
- Make a final assessment on *fit*

Offer Contingencies

- Background checks
- Physical exams
- Drug tests





Tying Up Loose Ends

- Record retention
- Contact with applicants not chosen
- Protect your reputation



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