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Michael brings over two decades of professional experience working at five different colleges or universities. In 2015, an opportunity to build and support a career development program brought him to SCC, and today, he is thrilled to coordinate PEAK, a college-wide commitment to supporting students in their identification of interests, exploration of pathways, attainment of professional knowledge, and ultimate success. Michael's professional interests and areas of expertise include forming partnerships between faculty, employers, and career services programs, resumé writing, and helping students value, develop, and market soft skills.



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Jodie was born and raised in Western North Carolina, and graduated from SCC with an Associate in Arts Degree in 2011. She attended Western Carolina University and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and attended the University of South Carolina to earn a Masters degree in Higher Education. She is excited to use her background in Academic Success and Academic Advising to better serve the students at SCC and help them identify career pathways that will lead to long-term success.

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"Reach Your PEAK"



Located in **Enrollment Services**
on the first floor of the Balsam Center.

 **Southwestern**
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Our Mission includes helping you explore your interests and related careers, make well-informed and timely academic choices, identify pathways to achieve your goals, and become successfully employed in the regional community.



What We Offer

- Career Counseling & Guidance
- Resume & Cover Letter Assistance
- Career Seminars & Job Fairs
- SCC Job Board
- Online Interview Practice through Big Interview

... and much more!

Check out our website for a full list of Career Services events and a calendar.



PEAK, which stands for Professional Exploration And Knowledge, is SCC's comprehensive plan to help students understand and prepare for their chosen careers. PEAK develops a culture of career exploration, informed decision-making, and the development of professional skills.

Visit: www.southwesterncc.edu/career-services/peak



Career Coach is an online customized assessment that can help narrow down which career path to take. It helps you identify your interests, and guides you toward professions and academic programs that will help you achieve your goals.

Visit: www.southwesterncc.edu/career-services/career-coach

On the SCC Job Board and mobile app you can access full-time, part-time, and seasonal job postings that are specifically targeted to SCC students and alumni by regional employers. You can create an account, apply for jobs, and post your resume to our job board where employers post their job listings. You can also view our events!



Visit: www.southwesterncc.edu/career-services/scc-job-board-and-nworks-online



Big Interview is an exciting online tool that you can use to practice and develop job interviewing skills. Practice an interview by recording it, save your mock interviews, then share them with faculty or a career counselor. Look up specific interview questions to formulate your "Interview Story."

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