

Explore a career in

Operations Management

WHAT IS OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT?

- Can refer to all the activities related to producing and managing an organization's goods and services
- Takes various inputs (labor, materials, capital, information, time, energy) and transforms those into the wide array of outputs of goods and services
- Companies recognize that the operations functions can be a competitive weapon to strengthen their position in today's market place as they seek to improve productivity while still providing a broad array of high quality products and services

PREPARATION

- Good background in mathematics and statistics is important for entry into the field
- Internships in operations management are available and an excellent way to prepare for a career
- Active participation in extra-curricular activities is valued and can provide an opportunity to develop leadership skills
- Having supervisory experience is also a plus when entering the field especially for management positions where you will have supervisory responsibilities from the beginning

CAREERS

- Appraisers, corporate real estate managers, property managers
- Residential agents, commercial brokers often specializing in property types
- Mortgage and construction lending professionals as well as investment analysts

Job titles include: planning and supply chain analyst, project controls engineer, supply chain management, operations supervisor, materials representative, operations analyst, materials acquisition specialist, distribution manager, inventory management

HIRING COMPANIES (a sampling of companies)

Abercrombie & Fitch • Amazon • Cardinal Health • DHL Supply Chain • General Mills • Honda of America • JPMorgan Chase & Co. Owens Corning • Pepsi Co • Sherwin Williams • Target Corp. Worthington Industries

4th

ranked overall
operations mgt
program

\$60,616

average starting
salary

\$19

per hour
average
internship pay



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ACTION STEPS FOR STUDENTS EXPLORING SPECIALIZATIONS

TALK TO PEOPLE

Informational interviewing is a method of career exploration and a way of discovering jobs not publicly advertised. It is not the same as a job interview. Informational interviews allow you to gain “inside information” regarding career paths, alternate careers that will use your skills, and people to contact who may be looking for an employee like you..

PEER CAREER COACHES

Meet with a Peer Career Coach in the Office of Career Management and Peers Advisors in the Undergraduate Programs Office. They are students who are happy to talk with you and answer questions about their experience in selecting a specialization.

GET INVOLVED

Student organizations are a great way to meet new people (alumni, employers, and peers) and to learn about specializations. There are over 30 student organizations in Fisher.
fisherosu.campuslabs.com/engage/

REVIEW JOB DESCRIPTIONS IN HANDSHAKE OR ON COMPANY WEBSITES

Job descriptions help you learn what skills and qualifications employers are seeking in candidates and the type of information you will be learning in a specialization.

CAREER EXPLORATION BY ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION POWERPOINTS

Each presentation covers career areas, sample job titles, career path, companies that hire this major, salary information, professional organizations and more.
fisher.osu.edu/offices/career-management/undergraduate-students/explore-careers

CHECK OUT THE "FROM ORIENTATION TO GRADUATION" BLOG

The blog features student interns who post notes about their initial steps into the business world, the challenges they face, and how they are applying their classroom theories and extracurricular activities to practice. The blog also offers career related tips and advice throughout the year.
fisher.osu.edu/blogs/ug-career-mgmt

ENROLL IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2600 (offered in Spring semesters)

This is a speaker series course with a focus on business enrichment. This class is structured to benefit freshmen and sophomores who are exploring the many fields of business study. During the course a variety of business and community leaders share their personal and professional life stories with a focus on their own challenges and successes.

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