



## Happy December, Maroons

Welcome back to Roanoke – we're in the home stretch of the Fall semester! We hope you had a restful and joyful Thanksgiving break, whether you were away from campus or stayed close to Roanoke. In this issue of the PLACE Post, we bring you quick tips, upcoming events, and resources designed to help you along your career journey. Take a minute to skim—your future self will thank you.

[Schedule an advising appointment in Handshake](#) with a Career Coach in PLACE

### Attention SENIOR MAROONS – Launch Lab 2026 registration is now open!

*Winter break is just around the corner, and so are the predictable questions about what you're doing after graduation. Register today and be prepared for curious friends and family – let them know that you're attending Launch Lab in January and are well on your way to landing a job after graduation!*

Gain confidence and clarity during Launch Lab with hands-on workshops, networking events, and personalized guidance to help you articulate your goals and market yourself to employers.

During Launch Lab, you will:

- Discover your strengths and goals
- Create standout resumes and cover letters
- Build your personal brand and LinkedIn profile
- Practice networking and interview skills
- Prepare for job offers and life after graduation

*There are limited spots – so don't delay in securing your seat at the table!*

[Registration Form](#)

When: Thursday, Jan 8-Saturday, Jan 10, 2026

Where: Roanoke College (participants will move in early)

## Hot Opportunities in Handshake

### Global Brand Narrative & Writing Undergraduate Internship

Nike, Inc. (Beaverton, OR)

\*application closes Dec 2

### Marketing and Communication Design Interns

Beacon Partners Consulting (Roanoke, VA)

\*application closes Dec 4

### Multiple Teaching Positions

Alleghany Highlands Public Schools (VA)

\*application closes Dec 11

### Justice for Montanans AmeriCorps Member

AmeriCorps (Service term: September 2026-August 2027)

on-site in various Montana locations, incl. Bozeman, Billings, Helena, Butte

\*application closes Dec 17

### Advance Auto Parts (Raleigh, NC)

Multiple Internships (Finance, Info Security, Pricing, Talent Acquisition, Marketing, Technical Accounting, Merchandising)

[Check their company page on Handshake for full list of opportunities](#)

\*applications close Dec 19

Looking for on-campus jobs? Search Handshake for "Roanoke College Student Experience"

## Exclusive Opps from the PLACE LinkedIn group

### Associate Analyst, Analytics & Metrics - 2026 Launch Program (NYC)

MasterCard

Great entry-level role for those with Dec 2025 or May 2026 graduation dates!

\*apply ASAP (rolling deadline)

### Montgomery County, VA - hiring for multiple full-time and internship roles

Apply online at [montva.com/jobs](http://montva.com/jobs)

- Deputy Sheriff
- School Resource Officer
- Administrative Assistant
- Judicial Law Clerk
- Benefit Program Specialist I
- Library Associate - Mobile Unit
- Utility Operator
- Communications Officer (NRV 911)

### INTERNSHIPS

- Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- Public Relations
- Multimedia

**Senator Mark R. Warner's Roanoke office is seeking Spring interns** to support constituent services, community outreach, and administrative operations. This is a great paid opportunity for students interested in government, policy, or helping Virginia communities.

[Apply by December 8 at 12 PM](#)

Join us on LinkedIn at the [PLACE group](#) for more exclusive job & internship opportunities

## 2025-2026 Career Planning Guide

**The Career Planning Guide** is your 24/7, one-stop shop with everything you need for your career journey, including:

- Resume checklist and examples (including CVs)
- Networking tips and resources
- Essential strategies for navigating your job & internship search

[Download the PDF for quick access and easy reference!](#)

## Big Interview: on-demand interview practice!

Get ahead of the game and start practicing (or refining) your interview skills with **Big Interview** – your all-in-one practice tool to crush interviews. You can learn insider tips, watch short lessons, and record yourself answering real interview questions – then get instant feedback to keep improving. It's like a personal coach that helps you feel confident, polished, and ready to land the job. Couple this with a 1:1 career advising appointment, and you'll be ready for any interview!

### HOW TO ACCESS BIG INTERVIEW

1: Go to <https://roanoke.biginterview.com/> and click "LOGIN"

2: Enter your Roanoke College credentials

3: Start using Big Interview (a good place to start is with the "Practice Sets")

[Schedule a "Mock Interview" appointment with PLACE and send us your video](#)

## The Forage

**Forage** is a great way to build career skills and get ahead. Forage provides free, online virtual experience programs created by Fortune 500 companies and leading employers such as **EY, J.P. Morgan, Accenture, The National Guard, and Bank of America** to provide you with the insights and skills you need to succeed in your job search.

These Career Quizzes are also available to help identify potential career paths:

[Forage General Career Quiz](#)

[Forage STEM Careers Quiz](#)

[Forage Business Careers Quiz](#)

[Forage Creative Careers Quiz](#)

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**Meet with a Career Coach:**

[Schedule an appointment in Handshake](#)

(in-person, virtually, or via phone)

**Need a quiet space for an interview?**

[Contact us to reserve the Sunporch or Studio!](#)

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