

# The Top 5 Archaeology Job Search Resources

Your key to finding a job in any economy,  
nearly any time of the year, practically  
anywhere

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OF THE OLD TOWN  
**ROCKINGHAM**  
(the former Capital of Scotland)

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**I know it sounds impossible that you can find a job in archaeology in any economy in almost any region of the world, but, if you think about it, all of the most connected archaeologists can do exactly that.** Do you think Ian Hodder or Tom King would have trouble getting hired at a university or CRM company somewhere in the world if they had to? Exactly.

In the last ten years, I've had to switch jobs more often than I'd like to admit. I've also helped dozens of other friends, family, co-workers, and other acquaintances find jobs as well. Job searches take time and can be very stressful, but, if done correctly, they can ultimately lead to bigger and better things. **I believe** : You have the power to find a job that you love; You have the power to control your own career path; and, This is truly well within your own abilities.

I'll admit, the path toward a job in archaeology is not straight. But, its not narrow either. You will need to have a clear idea of the specific job you want in order to guide your search. You will also have to do some serious networking, professional development, and goal setting in order to get there. In order to be successful, *you will have to make finding a job your new part-time job*.

Times were tough during the Great Recession and a lot of archaeologists were laid off. It wasn't always that they weren't good at their job. Most of them were laid off through no fault of their own. But, the thousands of us that landed jobs during the recession weren't just lucky. We used who and what we knew to land on our feet-- even at companies that weren't actively hiring.



Whether its other archaeologists, a family member, or an acquaintance, I use a very specific system to help everyone I know land a job. The system is outlined in the free eBook ["3 Essential Elements to a Successful Job Search"](#).

The core of this system is based on five dirt-cheap resources that you can frequently find at a nearby library for free. These resources are assets anyone can use to engineer and execute a successful job search.





**Without further ado, here are the resources:**





# Resource #1: Google Alerts

How would you like to have job postings and leads emailed directly to your inbox? With Google Alerts, you can do exactly that.

Cost: Free

<http://www.google.com/alerts>







## Resource #2: LinkedIn

This is the biggest repository of archaeologists, professors, and cultural resource management companies on the internet. Hear about job openings, CRM companies, university department, and hiring managers. You can use this to connect with other archaeologists and archaeology related groups. Best of all, its all about business. No cute kitten videos. No political rants. Just business.

Cost: Free

<https://www.linkedin.com/>



# Resource #3:Cracking the Hidden Job Market

This book will give you amazing ideas about how to tap into the “Hidden Job Market”— the place where you can find jobs that are unlisted and unadvertised. Learn how to get past gatekeepers, create your own job interviews, and cultivate an indomitable spirit that will keep you moving toward your goals.

Cost:

Free at libraries

About \$7 on Amazon

About \$ 11.50 on Kindle

<http://www.amazon.com/Cracking-The-Hidden-Job-Market/dp/158008494X>



# Resource #4: Guerilla Marketing for Job Hunters 3.0

In my opinion, the most comprehensive resource for ninja-like job seekers. This is THE guidebook for any successful campaign.

Cost:

Free at libraries

About \$10 on Amazon

About \$12.50 on Kindle

<http://www.amazon.com/Guerrilla-Marketing-Job-Hunters-3-0/dp/1118019091>





# Resource #5: Windmill Networking: Understanding, Leveraging, and Maximizing LinkedIn

Want to know how to do maximum networking and conduct stealth information searches using the largest online social network for professionals? Here's how.

Cost:

Free in libraries

About \$8.50 on Amazon

About \$8 on Kindle

<http://www.amazon.com/Windmill-Networking-Understanding-Step-Step/dp/1439247056>





# All of those references can be obtained for FREE!!!

No need to spend money you haven't got. If you're looking for a job in archaeology or thinking about getting a new one, head on down to your local library and check out or request these references today.

Also, download the free guide ["3 Essential Elements to a Successful Job Search"](#) if you can't wait long enough to get to the library.

Strategy, networking, and research are the keys to a successful job search and a successful career. It's all about telling who you know, what you know. Archaeology is a very competitive industry, but these resources can help keep you employed.



# Wanna learn more about the cultural resource management archaeology industry?

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