Networking is simply talking to people! It allows you to make and utilize personal and professional contacts to gain information on the job market, career choices and new opportunities in your field!

The point is not to get people to hire you, but to gather information on your field of interest and to build your list of professional contacts!

Networking is a great tool to access the hidden job market because it provides employers with the opportunity to meet you directly - not just through your resume.

- Allows you to learn about different professions and potential employers
- Expands your connections
- Helps point you in the right direction for career choices
- Validates your career choices
- All of the above!