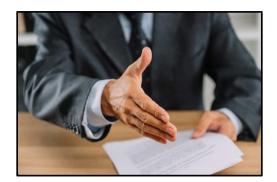


JOB OFFER OPTIONS

A well-planned and executed job search campaign will certainly yield a job offers, and sometimes multiple job offers at a time.

The options which you have, upon being offered a job are to:

- Accept it
- Postpone or delay it
- Re-negotiate it
- Decline it



It is important to remember that you are in charge of your career and the first offer to come your way may not be your best fit. Whether you have a single job offer, or several being presented at a time, you should always assess the offer in relation to your preferences for an ideal opportunity. Meridian offers a downloadable Offer Evaluation worksheet to help you accomplish this task.

You may also discuss the terms of the offer with those closest to you and also with an individual who can offer subjective insight. The job offer that you accept needs to feel right. You should not have any hesitation to accept the position in mind.

Of course, there are times when an income is necessary. In that circumstance you may decide to accept the job and continue your job search. The days of loyalty to an employee are gone. In turn, the job seeker needs to lookout for their personal best interests for a satisfying and fulfilling career.

Action: Download the Assessing Job Offers Worksheet: This worksheet can be downloaded in Word format under Meridian Career Compass. Complete the exercise requested, and be sure to save a copy for your own records.