

Reneging Policy

Definition of a renege: A renege occurs when a student accepts (verbally or via signature) a job offer for a full time or internship position, then receives a second offer for a full time or internship position, and withdraws the acceptance of the initial full time or internship position, regardless of how much time has elapsed since acceptance.

Note – Should you receive an offer and want to extend the deadline to weigh all possible options and avoid a renege, please see an advisor in the Russell Palmer Career Management Center for assistance. We can help you navigate asking for an offer deadline extension which may avoid a potential renege. Please review the document “Managing Offers - Flow Chart Recommendations to Avoid Reneging!” in our D2L Community for more information on avoiding renegees.

When you accept a job, verbally or by signing the offer letter, you make a major commitment to your new employer. Such a commitment should be made only if you intend to honor it. To continue discussions and/or interview with other potential employers once you accept a full time or internship offer is inappropriate and misleading. In addition, accepting an offer but later rejecting it, if you receive a “better” offer (reneging) is unethical. Reneging can severely tarnish your professional reputation, not only in the short term, but also for the duration of your career. Reneging also creates an obstacle in the Broad School efforts to maintain positive relationships between corporate recruiters, alumni and the Broad School. Typically, organizations/alumni affected by a renege will contact the Russell Palmer Career Management Center Team immediately. You can avoid a renege situation by carefully managing your job search process.

If you renege on a full time or internship position, you must meet with the Director of Career Management and Employer Relations for the Broad College of Business. Sanctions for a renege may include:

If you renege on a full time offer, you will not be allowed to apply for jobs on Handshake or use alumni services provided by the Broad College.

If you renege on an internship offer, you will not have access to Handshake for the following two semesters post-internship.

The Russell Palmer Career Management Center staff are here to support you in your career search efforts. If you have reneged or find yourself in a situation where you are managing multiple offer deadlines, please contact our office.