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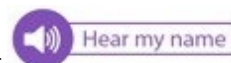
Dear Ms. Fairley,

I wanted to share a quick note regarding the value of O*Net. I work as a career advisor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where I work with students from undergraduates all the way up to PhD-seekers. With every level of these students, I find O*Net to be in my top-three most utilized resources. Students always remark to me how impressed they are with the thoroughness of the information, as well as how up to date it is. In my view, it is an irreplaceable piece of the puzzle for graduates and job-seekers looking to get a clear view of a career. It empowers students to understand what the job prospects are in different occupations, know which professional organizations and associations will be appropriate for them to join and explore, and helps them understand what a fair wage is when they enter into negotiations. Furthermore, I see access to this tool as imperative to leveling the playing field for those students who don't have well connected families, inherited wealth, or the self-confidence to put themselves out there.

I am so grateful that the US Bureau of Labor has made it a priority to collect and publish information on a large scale and hope its existence is secured for posterity.

Sincerely,
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