

# The Tech Savvy Job Search



The main idea here is that you can subscribe to certain websites and receive new, updated content from them in a single, online location. The websites you can subscribe to have an RSS feed (“Really Simple Syndication.”) Sometimes you will see the orange icon to the left, sometimes you’ll see the letters RSS and sometimes there may be other language like “subscribe.”

## **The single, online location: A Reader**

A reader is a service that you sign up for, and it collects all your feeds from the various sites you subscribe to. In this demo, we’ll be using Digg Reader (<https://digg.com/reader/>), but there are others you can explore by searching for “rss aggregators.”

## **Websites with RSS feeds: more than blogs**

There are countless hundreds of thousands of blogs and other RSS feeds on the internet, ranging from kindergarten class updates to the official Whitehouse blog. A scant few examples:

- *GradHacker* <https://www.insidehighered.com/blogs/gradhacker>
- *The Understory: The Life and Times of Ecology and Ecologists* <http://www.the-understory.com/>
- *Carpe Durham* <http://carpedurham.com/>
- NPR Podcasts <http://www.npr.org/podcasts/>
- Craigslist <https://raleigh.craigslist.org/>

## **Indeed** <http://www.indeed.com/>

In the Craigslist example, it was possible to do a specialized search (a futon at a certain price & color) and then subscribe directly to that search. This is also possible with Indeed, a very powerful job search engine that scours the Chronicle of Higher Ed, Inside Higher Ed and thousands of individual colleges and universities. When your search looks good, subscribe to it. Then do another search with other terms or parameters and subscribe to that as well. Repeat *ad libitum*.

## **Organization**

Note that indeed.com searches the US; there are international options as well for individual countries. In Digg Reader, using the “add” button in the lower left (where you subscribed) there is also an option to add folders. You can keep your job search and your futon search separate. You can drag and drop subscriptions into folders. Within each subscription, there is an “edit” option that allows you to rename each feed to something more useful or to unsubscribe.

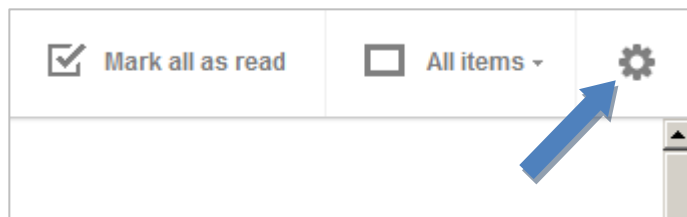
## More resources

Here are additional job boards offering an RSS feed:

1. [Indeed](#): Started out back in 2004 and was the trailblazer for all job search engines and is still the largest. Indeed keeps expanding globally and is now available in 19 different country specific versions.
2. [HigherEdJobs](#) offers a list of RSS feeds organized by administrative categories. These jobs would also appear in Indeed, but some redundancy is a good idea.
3. [CareerJet](#): Again a very similar application to Indeed, CareerJet claims to scan over 58,000 websites daily, and it's available in over 50 countries and in 20 languages.
4. [University of Iowa](#)
5. [UC San Diego](#)
6. [Science Careers](#) (from the journal Science) offers "a variety of alerts and RSS feeds that help you keep track of new job openings to investigate and follow up on our articles and advice to help develop your career."

## Bonus features

[JournalTOCs](#). Subscribe to journal publishers to get abstracts before they are published: a comprehensive, large, free collection of TOCs from academic journals. OPML files have to be imported into Digg in the "settings" option in the upper right as show below:



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