You’ve always been told that the Yale network is robust and that there are thousands of Yale alums who are ready and willing to help you as you explore your career. But where are they and how do you reach them?

At Yale’s Office of Career Strategy, we offer you a powerful system called the Yale Career Network that can do just that. The Yale Career Network is a database of alums who are interested in networking with current students and fellow alums. This network will allow you to search for and connect with relevant Yale alums to discuss your career objectives and explore career interests. You can search for these alums by fields such as industry, location, job title and more. If you are an alum, you can also serve as a career resource to others by sharing your experience, skills, and expertise.

There are close to 20,000 Yale Career Network alumni participants in the system that you can reach out to. The online system makes it as easy as selecting a few filters, including company name, industry, or you can get even more specific by looking for alums from a specific school, Yale student athletes or medical and law specialties.

Now, here’s what’s really unique about the Yale Career Network – alumni have already given their permission to be contacted. What does this mean for you? No awkwardness or concern that the alum will not want to hear from you. No need to search for the alums email address or feel like you are pestering them.

The system takes your request and pushes it right to their inbox – it really is that easy! And unlike other professional networking sites, you can email alums outside of your network for free.

If you haven’t logged into the Yale Career Network yet, there is no time like the present to start!

Find the Yale Career Network tab on the home page of the OCS website to view helpful links such as student and alumni login instructions and informational interview resources such as sample correspondence, tips and advice and sample questions.

Start reaching out to Yale alums now who can help you find the career path that best suits you.