More And More Professionals Are Wearing Ink

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Matthew Simpson offered insight in an article entitled "More and More Professionals are Wearing Ink," published on *Diversity MBA Magazine's* website.

According to the article, tattoos used to be the mark of rebels and people living on the outskirts of society. Now, a significant number of employees and job applicants have tattoos and, increasingly, it is a matter that must be dealt with as part of the job application process.

According to a 2010 Pew Research poll, 23 percent of Americans have at least one tattoo.

Job candidates should find out the policies for tattoos at companies where they are applying.

Employers' policies can legally range from prohibiting visible tattoos to allowing employees to have visible tattoos in the office, according to Matt.

"Corporate America is still working out tattoo policies," said Matt. "We frequently get questions from clients about their policies and about what they can and cannot do with respect to dress codes and tattoos in particular."

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