DISCOVER PROGRAM

Our team empowers Merrimack College students to enter the workforce by charting a career exploration and development journey that focuses on developing and honing skills that employers are seeking.

All undecided first year students are part of the Discover Program and are assigned an advisor, Gail Picillo. She works with students who have not yet declared a major by providing academic advising, as well as help them explore their personal outlook that may influence their decision-making process. She encourages students to discover a variety of cutting-edge technology tools to ensure that students are prepared for the jobs of the future. In addition, your faculty advisors, academic advisors, and Success Coach are all important resources in helping you connect your academic pursuits with your career interests.

Check out the milestones for this career exploration and development journey on the next page and explore more about each by visiting career.merrimack.edu.

Follow us on social media @obriencenter for updated information on events and tips and tricks for success.

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Do you know that 75 percent of American college students either start their college academic journey as undeclared or have changed their major?

The Discover Program is designed to support you, and exploring these career resources will help to guide your decision-making process.

FIRST YEAR

EXPLORE - Who are you?
- Sign up for FYE
- Explore AWATO
- Sign up for OBR1050
- Meet with your Discover Specialist
- Discuss career with your faculty advisor

PREPARE - What do you want to be?
- Get a Professional headshot
- Set up your LinkedIn profile
- Activate LinkedIn Learning
- What Can I Do With This Major?
- Quinncia for mock interviews

EXPERIENCE - How do you get there?
- Join a club or volunteer
- Conduct an informational interview or job shadow
- Attend a networking event
- Sign in to Handshake

SECOND YEAR

EXPLORE - Who are you?
- Review Burning Glass Labor Insight Report with Career Advisor
- Discuss career with your faculty advisor

PREPARE - What do you want to be?
- What Can I Do With This Major?
- Quinncia for mock interviews
- LinkedIn Learning courses
- Informational interview or job shadow

EXPERIENCE - How do you get there?
- Attend a networking event
- Meet Academic Advisor to discuss required internship
- Attend a career fair
- Apply for an on-campus job, internship or externship using Handshake