



**MERRIMACK  
COLLEGE**

# CAREER MILESTONES

Preparation that Empowers  
You to Enter the Workforce

## 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](https://career.merrimack.edu).

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



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# EXPLORE. PREPARE. EXPERIENCE.

## 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?](#)
- ☐ [Quinnia](#) for resume review

### 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?](#)
- ☐ [Quinnia](#) 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



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.



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