

Year 1

Self-Awareness and Assessment

- Visit Career Services and explore its services and resources
- Use career assessment inventories to explore personal interests, skills, values, and personality type
- Seek assistance from a career counselor to discuss career assessment results and to identify related majors and careers
- Attend career planning and decision-making workshops
- Participate in exploratory and service learning courses
- Begin researching careers of interest and seek further insight through volunteering, externships (job shadowing), and informational interviews

Year 2

Continue Major and Career Exploration

- Continue exploration of different majors and careers related to interests identified
- Seek further career exploration through service learning or job shadowing
- Seek volunteer opportunities through the Office of Student Involvement
- Participate in career-related experiences via internships and co-ops through Experiential Learning
- Participate in career planning workshops focused on resume, interview, and internship topics
- Attend the Career and Internship Expo and seek out opportunities to gain experience
- Join major-related student organization and actively develop your leadership skills
- Seek input from faculty about majors and careers
- Register on Handshake and upload your resume
- Begin networking with employers through career panels, job fairs, and others
- Informational interviews for exploration of careers/industry

THE ROADMAP TO YOUR CAREER

Drive towards your dream job!

Year 3

Solidify Career Choice and Gain Experience

- Gain career-related experiences via internships and co-ops through Experiential Learning
- Attend workshops related to job search skills, such as interviewing and job search strategies
- Continue networking with employers through career panels, career fairs, and employer information sessions
- Develop a strong relationship with faculty in your major to find a mentor and future reference
- Start researching graduate/professional school if you're planning to continue your education
- Start networking with professionals in your field through membership in career-related professional organizations
- Seek a leadership position in a major-related campus organization
- Informational interviews for networking, finding internships, and entry-level roles

Year 4

Develop Plans Beyond Graduation

- Attend the Career & Internship Expo and be prepared to promote qualifications to employers
- Update and finalize your online presence (i.e. LinkedIn Profile, Social Media)
- Develop a list of references and request letters of recommendations from faculty and others
- Apply to graduate or professional school early and follow through on all of the requirements
- Plan, organize, and conduct a thorough job search
- Register for on-campus interviews via Handshake
- Attend job search and other related workshops
- Buy professional business attire and be ready for interviews
- Participate in a practice interview at Career Services, register via Handshake
- Informational interviews for networking, finding internships, and entry-level roles



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