

# JUNIOR YEAR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Reflect on all that you have learned about yourself, your major, and your career interests and start solidifying your plans for post-college life. If you are still having trouble identifying your next steps or if you find yourself needing to re-evaluate, visit with a career counselor to help discover a path that is right for you.



## CHECKLIST

### Gain relevant experience and develop your skills

- Q Narrow your career choices and discuss them with a career counselor, professors, and professionals to get advice about how to achieve your goals.
- Q Secure a career-related [internship](#) and fulfill your LEAP requirement. Meet with the internship program director for details about how to find and register an internship experience.
- Q Identify professors and supervisors who could serve as references for your job and internship applications.
- Q Learn to effectively market your skills and experiences by attending CDC programs, workshops, employer presentations, and career fairs.
- Q Set up a practice interview or discuss interview preparation with a career counselor.
- Q Take the [Piper Prepared Career Ready Assessment](#) and complete the [Career Ready Reaction Sheet](#).
- Q Participate in a job-shadowing experience. Consult with the CDC for alumni contacts and other resources.
- Q Research graduate and professional programs that align with your career goals. Create an application timeline and, if necessary, register and begin studying for entrance exams.
- Q Consider summer opportunities and activities that will help you develop marketable employment skills.
- Q Continue to update your [resume](#), cover letter(s), [Handshake](#) and LinkedIn profiles. Get feedback from CDC staff.
- Q Learn how to navigate a professional job search and prepare for career fairs and on-campus recruitment opportunities.
- Q International students need to connect with the Global Engagement Center about required work documents.

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