

# SENIOR YEAR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Now is the time to finalize applications to graduate school or intensify your search for full-time work or service opportunities after graduation. It's never too soon to start this process. Hit the ground running during your fourth year by meeting with a career counselor over the summer or the beginning of fall semester.



## Prepare to launch

- Q** Meet with your academic advisor(s) to finalize academic plans and make sure you are on track for graduation.
- Q** Begin your comprehensive job search and/or finalize graduate school plans as early as the fall.
- Q** Discuss your career and/or graduate school choices with a career counselor, professors, and other professionals to get advice about the job search or graduate school application process.
- Q** Participate in an [internship](#) during the school year, if you haven't done so already—doing more than one internship during college is encouraged.
- Q** Set up a practice interview with a CDC career counselor.
- Q** Continue to attend CDC programs and workshops.
- Q** Target specific jobs and career interests through research and [networking](#).
- Q** Connect with employers through on-campus recruitment activities, job fairs, and online platforms like [Handshake](#).
- Q** Connect with potential references (professors and supervisors) to request and collect letters of recommendation.
- Q** Complete professional exams (GRE, GMAT, MCAT, LSAT etc.) and submit application materials for graduate school during fall semester.
- Q** Perfect your [resume](#) and cover letter(s) by having them reviewed by the CDC staff.
- Q** Polish your LinkedIn and Handshake profiles and expand your connections.
- Q** Take the [Piper Prepared Career Ready Assessment](#) and complete the [Career Ready Reflection Sheet](#).

# CHECKLIST

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