## 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.



## Gain relevant experience and develop your skills

Secure a career-related <u>internship</u> and fulfill your LEAP requirement. Meet with the internship program director for details about how to find and register an internship experience.

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discuss them with a career counselor, professors, and professionals to get

Narrow your career choices and

goals.

- Identify professors and supervisors who could serve as references for your job and internship applications.
- Learn to effectively market your skills and experiences by attending CDC programs, workshops, employer presentations, and career fairs.
- Set up a practice interview or discuss interview preparation with a career counselor.
- Take the <u>Piper Prepared Career Ready</u>
  <u>Assessment</u> and complete the <u>Career</u>
  <u>Ready Reflection Sheet</u>.

- Participate in a job-shadowing experience. Consult with the CDC for alumni contacts and other resources.
- 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.
- Consider summer opportunities and activities that will help you develop marketable employment skills.
- Continue to update your <u>resume</u>, cover letter(s), <u>Handshake</u>, and LinkedIn profiles. Get feedback from CDC staff.
- Learn how to navigate a professional job search and prepare for career fairs and on-campus recruitment opportunities.
- International students need to connect with the Global Engagement Center about required work documents.



**READY FOR THE NEXT STEP?** 

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