# FROM COLLEGE TO CAREER

4 year timeline to guide your journey

## FRESHMAN YEAR: LAY THE FOUNDATION

Fall: Soak it all in!

- Make Connections: meet as many people as possible
- Join Clubs
- Utilize Campus Resources like student services for academic and personal growth, career services to prepare for getting a job, education abroad office to gain a global experience



- Select a major
- Start Networking
- Build your toolkit (resume LinkedIn profile)
- Make Summer Plans: consider a summer job, job shadowing, volunteering, or an internship to build your skills



## SOPHMORE YEAR: GAIN EXPERIENCE



- Declare your major
- If possible, take on leadership roles in campus clubs
- Reach out to alumni or industry professionals to explore career paths
- Refine your toolkit: nail your elevator pitch, update your resume and LinkedIn profile
- Attend jobs fairs and network with employers
- Get an internship. Note: some companies recruit early in the late summer/early fall. Note these early deadlines!
- Consider participating in experiences like study abroad, research projects, fellowships, competitions to help you

### JUNIOR YEAR: BUILD MOMENTUM

- Check graduation requirements and make sure you're on track
- Secure an internship. Note the early deadlines in late summer/early fall, especially for larger companies and more competitive roles
- Attend employer info sessions and job fairs
- Network strategically to gain key insights or fields and companies you're interested in
- Update your toolkit (resume, LinkedIn, elevator pitch) to integrate any new experiences or skills gained



#### **SENIOR YEAR: THIS IS IT**



- Ask internship supervisors and colleagues to write a LinkedIn recommendation for you
- Start early! Keep an eye on application deadlines which can be in August.
- pitch, work samples if relevant
- Attend employer info sessions and job fairs
- Network! Deach out to rec.
- professionals in companies that you're interested in to discover "hidden" opportunities
- Research companies of interest, especially those you're applying to
- Do mock interviews.

