## The Career Center

### Freshmen

**1st Year Graduate Student**

**Explore:**
- Identify skills, interests, and values
- Complete online career assessment
- Set short and long term goals
- Begin exploring career options
- Become familiar with Career Center resources

**Prepare:**
- Discuss your career plan with mentors, family, friends and professors for different perspectives
- Get involved in student organizations/activities and volunteer

**Engage:**
- Search for a summer job and/or internship

### Sophomore

**2nd Year Graduate Student**

**Prepare:**
- **UPDATE:** resume, reference page, online job board account, job search strategy and career goals
- Practice and hone interview skills

**Engage:**
- Engage in full-time job search/apply for graduate school (and take entrance exams)
- Evaluate offers and follow-up

- After contracting with the military, accepting civilian employment and/or graduate school, prepare for life after college

### Junior

**Prepare:**
- **UPDATE:** resume, online job board account and career goals
- Create a general cover letter
- Organize a reference page
- Expand your network
- Narrow graduate/professional school search and practice entrance exams
- Develop job search strategy and a back-up plan
- Practice interviewing

### Senior

**Prepare:**
- **UPDATE:** resume, reference page, online job board account, job search strategy and career goals
- Practice and hone interview skills

**Engage:**
- Engage in full-time job search/apply for graduate school (and take entrance exams)
- Evaluate offers and follow-up

- After contracting with the military, accepting civilian employment and/or graduate school, prepare for life after college

### Explode:

- Review short and long term career goals
- Explore and research career options

### Engage:

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