IDENTIFY & EXPLORE

GOAL: TO IDENTIFY AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN CAREER OPPORTUNITIES, INTERNSHIPS AND EXPERIENTIAL PROGRAMS

- Check in with the Center for Career Design & Development to help you monitor the connection between your interests, choice of major & selection of career; update your resume and online profiles.
- Explore industries, companies and career options by doing research via Handshake, LinkedIn and other resources; make a target list of employers for internships.
- Talk with professors and advisors about required course work and internship requirements.
- Work towards a leadership role by considering applying to be a peer mentor, resident assistant, orientation leader or other on-campus leadership position.
- Build relationships with professionals in your career field of interest, including professors, alumni, and employers. Utilize LinkedIn to establish connections (ex: Hofstra Alumni Tool).
- Explore the Center for Career Design & Development resources about interview skills, cover letters and networking, attend all applicable career fairs, employer events and workshops.
- Participate in experiential learning opportunity. Examples includes: internship, part-time work, shadowing, informational interview or volunteer in an area of interest. Voluntermatch.org and Idealist.org are great resources to explore different interest areas.
- Utilize social media (e.g., Twitter and LinkedIn) to stay up to date on current events and news within your possible career fields. Follow companies of interest.

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