

SENIOR YEAR CAREER PLAN

YOUR STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO CAREER PLANNING SUCCESS

It's your senior year - prepare to stand out!
 To get ready for a successful transition to the next chapter of your professional journey, have a polished resume, excellent interviewing skills, and internship or job experience. Take steps now to complete tasks for employment or graduate/professional school admissions.

SEEK EMPLOYMENT

See a career counselor to ensure you are on target to achieve your career goals for employment after graduation. Attend Employer Information Sessions and Career Fairs to network with employers.

- Create a personalized strategy and identify your next steps with a career counselor.
- Utilize social media to network with employers and search for internship and job opportunities.
- Attend these workshops and events: *Career Fairs, the Senior Success Series, Job Discovery Series, Employer Information Sessions, Seniors: Land A Job for When You Graduate Now (OCI), How Not to Get Fired: Professional Etiquette, Where Are the Jobs? The Hidden Job Market, What's My Worth? Salary Negotiation, Dining Etiquette, and Mastering LinkedIn.*
- Set up search agents based on career interests in SCOTjobs to alert you of new postings and opportunities.
- Participate in the On Campus Interview program. Log into SCOTLink. In SCOTjobs select "Advanced Search" and "Show Me - Only Employers Interviewing at the Career Center."

APPLY TO GRADUATE/ PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

See a career counselor to ensure you are on target to achieve your graduate/professional school goals. Refer to the College-Specific Game Plans for timelines, and attend Graduate/Professional School Fairs to network with representatives.

- Attend *Graduate and Professional School Information Day, Law School Information Day, and Health Professions School Information Day.*
- Complete graduate/professional school applications and apply.
- Continue to get related, on-campus, community and volunteer experience.

STAY FOCUSED

Continue to network and get internship or work experience before you graduate to verify your interests and build experience. Keep track of where you have applied for jobs, and follow up with employers and/or graduate school admissions representatives. Use a "To Do List" to stay organized.

- Develop a system, such as an Excel spreadsheet, to keep track of where you have applied.
- Continue to develop and maintain your professional contacts.

CAREER PLAN SERIES

Map Your Career Plan For Success!

GOALS TO REACH *Career Success* FOR EACH YEAR OF COLLEGE

Get your checklist at the Career Center.



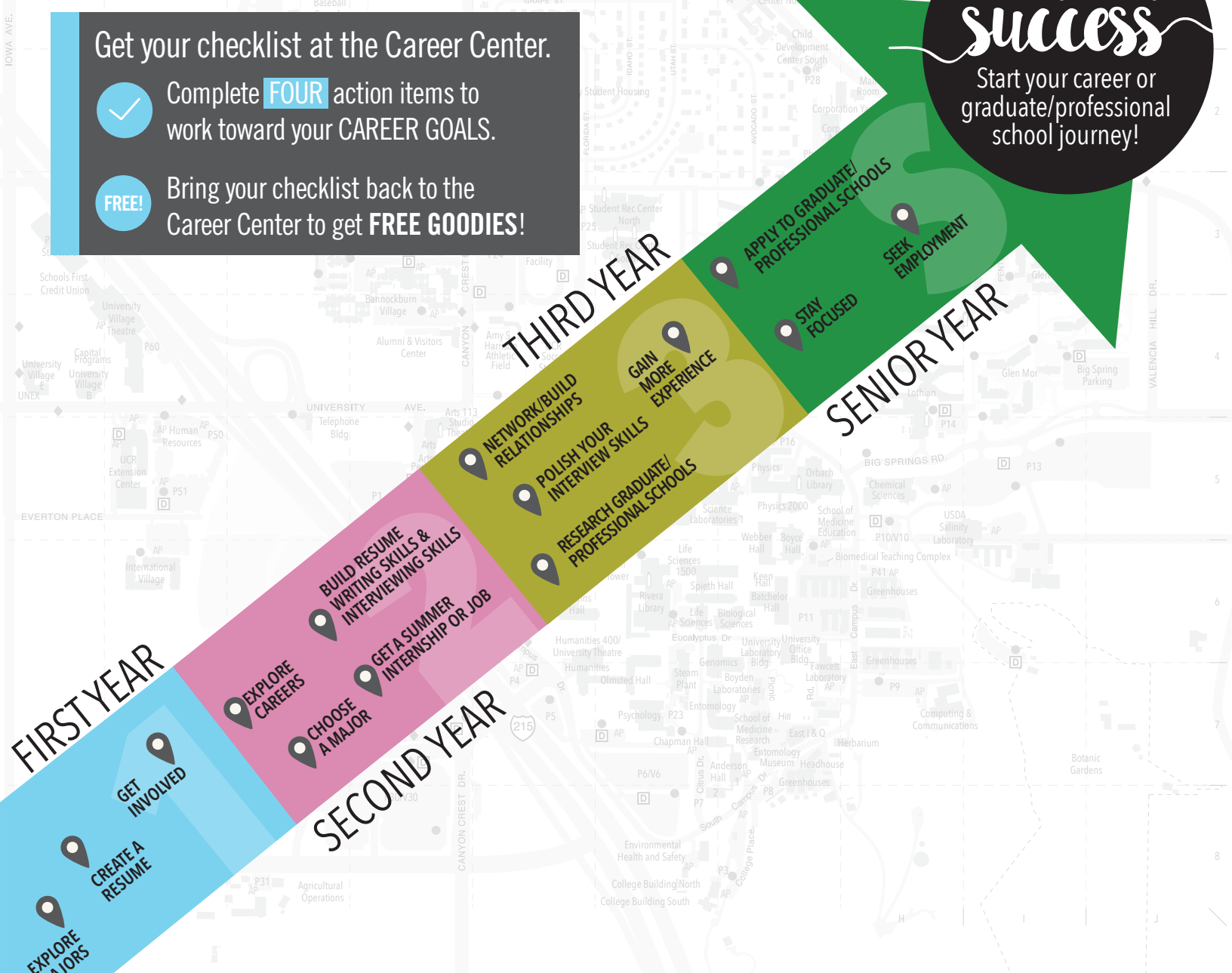
Complete **FOUR** action items to work toward your CAREER GOALS.



Bring your checklist back to the Career Center to get **FREE GOODIES!**

NEXT DESTINATION:
Success

Start your career or graduate/professional school journey!



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