



FOUR-YEAR CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

1 First Year	2 Second Year	3 Third Year	4 Fourth Year
<p>Declare a Major & Explore Career Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Visit career.uga.edu and complete career assessments to help determine interests, values and personality type <input type="checkbox"/> Read What Can I Do With A Major In...? pages to discover some career options for your major <input type="checkbox"/> Use the UGA Bulletin to read course descriptions, access syllabi and learn more about majors, minor and certificates <p>Get Involved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Join a student organization <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in residence hall activities <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer on- or off-campus <input type="checkbox"/> Attend Career Center programs and workshops <input type="checkbox"/> Ask about research opportunities with professors <p>Get Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Utilize Handshake for on- and off-campus part-time jobs and internships <input type="checkbox"/> Shadow professionals through the Intern for a Day program <input type="checkbox"/> Attend career fairs to chat with employers about employment opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> Create a resume and seek feedback from a Career Consultant 	<p>Declare a Major & Explore Career Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Work with academic advisor on process of declaring a major <input type="checkbox"/> Speak with people in potential career areas to learn about options <input type="checkbox"/> Shadow professionals in chosen field of interest through Intern for a Day program <input type="checkbox"/> Create a LinkedIn profile and start building your professional network <p>Stay Involved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Join a professional organization related to your major <input type="checkbox"/> Interact with guest speakers and college personnel to create connections <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain membership in clubs, organizations, and intramurals <input type="checkbox"/> Become a leader in a student organization <p>Get Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Update resume and get it critiqued <input type="checkbox"/> Consider doing a study abroad program <input type="checkbox"/> Utilize Handshake and apply for positions relevant to your major <input type="checkbox"/> Ask family, friends, professors, & Career Consultants about internship or part-time job leads 	<p>Research Grad Schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to professors and Career Consultants <input type="checkbox"/> Search gradschools.com or petersons.com to find programs and professors doing interesting work <input type="checkbox"/> Study for entrance exams and take practice tests <input type="checkbox"/> Look at class profiles for info on currently admitted class <p>Connect with Employers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Review company websites and literature <input type="checkbox"/> Read magazines and journals to become familiar with trends and areas of opportunity <input type="checkbox"/> Access company info through Career Insider powered by The Vault on our website <input type="checkbox"/> Attend career fairs and company information sessions on campus <input type="checkbox"/> Follow employers' social media accounts <p>Increase Involvement and Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete an internship or secure a career-related part-time job <input type="checkbox"/> Try to gain leadership roles related to major or career of choice <input type="checkbox"/> Interact with guest speakers and club advisors <input type="checkbox"/> Join local chapters of national organizations related to your chosen field 	<p>Complete Grad School Prep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Take entrance exams <input type="checkbox"/> Ask for letters of recommendation; be mindful of deadlines <input type="checkbox"/> Request transcripts be sent to graduate programs <input type="checkbox"/> Have admission essays reviewed by the Writing Center and a Career Consultant <p>Develop a Job Search Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in career fairs related to areas of interest <input type="checkbox"/> Take advantage of on-campus interviewing <input type="checkbox"/> Complete the Career Center's Career Outcomes Survey to tell us what you are doing after graduation <p>Leverage Your Involvement and Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct mock interview and continue to update your resume with Career Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Seek positive references from professors and supervisors from internship and part-time positions <input type="checkbox"/> Give references a copy of your resume <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain relationships with those who are references <input type="checkbox"/> Request recommendations on LinkedIn