

### **Freshman Year: Awareness**

- Join **Careers2Geaux**, LSU's source for jobs, networking and career-related events.
- Meet with a career counselor to identify and explore career concerns.
- Identify interests, skills, work values and personality preferences—key factors in the career decision-making process—by taking career assessments.
- Talk to faculty and review the *LSU General Catalog* to research majors.
- Explore the What Can I Do With This Degree? series posted on our Web site.
- Start gathering information on careers you are interested in pursuing.
- Visit the Career Information Center (B-1 Coates Hall).
- Explore career choices by using Tiger Network and personal contacts to set up informational interviews.
- Let Career Services help you transition your résumé from high school to college.
- Attend career fairs and other events.

### **Sophomore Year: Exploration**

- Join student organizations and professional associations related to your intended career field.
- Use our Job Search Tutorials to learn about résumés, cover letters, thank-you notes and interviewing.
- When developing your résumé, include transferable skills from *all* work experiences you have had.
- Upload your résumé on **Careers2Geaux**.
- Update your résumé with each new job you hold and/or student organization you join.
- Continue exploring occupations through our Web site, the Internet, newspapers, magazines and books.
- Meet with a career consultant to develop a comprehensive search strategy for finding work experience.
- Start clarifying and confirming your career choice by gaining career-related work experience.
- Pursue internships and co-ops through the On-Campus Interviewing Program.
- Attend career fairs and other events.

### **Junior Year: Experience**

- Sign up for HRE 3331: Strategic Career Planning.
- Decide if graduate or professional school is necessary to reach your career goals. If it is, start planning at the beginning of your junior year and attend the Graduate and Professional School Fair in the fall.
- Conduct research to determine the types of entry-level positions for which you might qualify.
- Schedule an appointment to have your résumé(s) and cover letter(s) critiqued.
- Update your résumé and upload the revised version on **Careers2Geaux**.
- Learn appropriate attire for recruitment events. Purchase a business professional suit and shoes.
- Complete at least one internship or co-op to gain experience and build your résumé.
- Fine-tune your interview skills by scheduling a mock interview with our team.
- Use **Careers2Geaux** to participate in on-campus interviewing programs.
- Attend career fairs and other events.

### **Senior Year: Transitions**

- Continue to follow the Graduate/Professional School Timeline, if applicable.
- Develop your personal statement and have it critiqued by Career Services.
- Identify professionals who are willing to serve as references and write letters of recommendation.
- Use Interfolio to store and distribute your letters of reference and transcripts.
- Schedule a mock interview to prepare for full-time job or graduate/professional school interviews.
- Identify full-time job opportunities.
- Use **Careers2Geaux** to participate in the On-Campus Interviewing Program.
- Tailor your résumé and cover letter to each full-time position for which you apply.
- Use your personal network to identify opportunities.
- Send thank-you letters to employers with whom you interview and to your references.
- Attend career fairs and other events.
- Join Tiger Network as a new alumnus!