



# IDEAL Approach to Your Career

	28 Credits	56 Credits	88 Credits	120+ Credits	
Investigate	■				
Discover		■			
Experience		■		■	
Activate			■		
Link				■	
	Freshman Year	Sophomore Year	Junior Year	Senior Year	

## Investigate

Investigate your own interests, values, attitudes, and aspirations. What do you really want out of life, and how will your career goals help you lead a more satisfying and productive life?

## Discover

Discover career fields and majors. Match your own interests to the demands of the work world. Make a tentative decision about a career direction.

## Experience

Gain first hand experience in potential career fields. Volunteer, register for an internship, visit with professionals. Continue to develop relevant job skills in full-time or part-time work experiences, internships, or a University departmental position. Confirm or adjust career direction based on your experiences.

## Activate

Activate your job search plan; prepare your strategies and tools. Contact alumni and friends. Begin developing a network of contacts.

## Link

Link up with employers using every available resource. Use career development services to develop a personalized plan. Aim to have a job offer before you graduate!

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