## **STAGE ONE:** SELF-ASSESS

- Update resume; monitor social media accounts; meet with academic/career advisor; attend career readiness workshops, events; establish relationships with upperclassmen, faculty and administrators
- Update your LinkedIn profile with accomplishments such as Experiential Learning
- Reflect on your first-year experience. What would you do differently? What would you like to explore next related to classes, internships or career-related opportunities?
- ✓ Take "Essential Business Skills" class
- Take part in Experiential Learning opportunities
- Participate in Professional Development opportunities such as the Networking & Etiquette Dinner
- Focus on coursework within your major
- Become involved in the "N-Link Alumni Mentor Network"
- Take an active leadership role in a student organization
- If you haven't declared a major-talk with an academic advisor about course selections and meet with a Career Counselor to review major/career options

## **STAGE THREE:** *EXPERIENCE*

- Monitor social media accounts; meet with academic/career advisor; attend career readiness workshops, events; establish relationships with faculty and administrators
- Update resume to ensure it effectively showcases your knowledge/education, achievements, skills and abilities
- Update your LinkedIn profile with accomplishments such as Experiential Learning
- Complete an internship
- Check in with your advisor: Are you on-track for completing graduation requirements?
- Develop a prospective list of employers and research these organizations
- Continue networking with new and former contacts

- Monitor social media accounts; meet with academic/career advisor; attend career readiness workshops, events; establish relationships with upperclassmen, faculty and administrators
- Explore majors and career options through FOCUS Career Assessment to help you identify career options by examining your interests, values, abilities, and personality to find a major and/or profession that best suits you
- Create a LinkedIn profile; make sure it is complete and use a head shot
- Take "Career Readiness & Exploration" class
- Take a wide variety of classes to explore potential career options
- Connect with Career Services to take part in job shadowing opportunities in your area of interest
- Research potential internships and the internship process
- Begin building a professional resume, attend a resume writing workshop
- Get involved with Student Affairs and become actively involved in an organization
- Join the Future Alumni Network "FAN"

## **STAGE TWO:** *EXPLORE*

- Update resume; monitor social media accounts; meet with academic/career advisor; attend career readiness workshops, events; establish relationships with upperclassmen, faculty and administrators
- Maintain your grades. The classes will become more difficult, so continue your focus on succeeding in your studies
- Update your LinkedIn profile with accomplishments such as Experiential Learning
- Practice interviewing skills with Career Services
- Attend alumni-sponsored events to establish important connections for after graduation
- Learn how to market yourself and join a professional organization associated with your related major or career interest
- Begin to build a professional wardrobe for interviews
- Consider actively participating in an internship; participate in either a for-credit or non-credit internship
- Review and evaluate your short-term and long-term career goals with your Career Counselor

**STAGE FOUR: TRANSITION** 

- Utilize the Career Services' CareerLink and job agent services
- Ask three people to serve as professional references, remember to give them a copy of your resume so they are familiar with your skills and qualifications
- Review and evaluate your short-term and long-term goals with your Career Counselor
- Sign up for on campus interviewing and begin job search
- Attend networking events, etiquette dinners and career readiness workshops
- Apply to graduate and/or professional schools, OR
- Apply for jobs and year-long internships and fellowships. Start early. Don't wait until after you graduate to apply for jobs.
- Complete the graduate Outcomes Survey to share your success

