


# CAREER FOUR YEAR PLAN

## SECOND YEAR



Start early and stay focused!  
The following are recommendations for staying on track and avoiding senior year stress. Questions? Contact Christie Andersen, Career Development Specialist at [ceandersen@colum.edu](mailto:ceandersen@colum.edu).

### SOPHOMORE YEAR: EXPLORE AND RESEARCH YOUR OPTIONS

- Reflect on your body of work and coursework so far. Consider what you are learning about yourself and your work.
- Start listing possible career paths available to someone with your major.
- Consider meeting with the Career Development Specialist if you have any doubts about your path.
- Ask your college advisor how to choose classes that correspond to your career goals.
- Keep updating your resume. How would you feel about sending it out for your dream job? Think about what you need to build on in your remaining time at Columbia!
- Continue to build your resume by gaining work and volunteer experiences.
- Sign up for the Career Initiatives Newsletter (in The Loop) to stay up to date on career information and events.
- Start looking for opportunities to display or publish your work.
- Plan to complete at least one internship in the next two years. Decide which semester it will fit with your commitments, and leave enough time available to work 10 – 20 (or more) hours a week.
- Continue checking [ColumbiaWorks](#)- now focusing on internship options for the next two years.
- Sign up with the Portfolio Center to receive updates on upcoming events. Attend presentations by industry professionals to learn more about how to prepare for a career after Columbia.

### NOTES AND NEXT STEPS:

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