MAKE A PLAN AND TAKE ACTION

Complete academic requirements

• Pursue academic success.
• Confirm your remaining degree requirements early.

Gain career related experience/ develop your professional identity

• Join professional associations in your career field.
• Attend and present at conferences/events.
• Obtain career-related experience through job, internship, research, or informational interviews.

Implement your job search and secure a position

• Develop a job search strategy and meet with mentors.
• Attend Senior Series workshops.
• Utilize Diversity at Work resources.
• Hone résumé, cover letter and LinkedIn profile.
• Identify potential employers in relevant career fields
• Scan Catamount Job Link & other job search resources.
• Prepare an "elevator pitch" to introduce yourself and expand your network through LinkedIn.
• Activate your network, ask about contacts & leads.
• Participate in Career Center On-Campus Recruiting, Job Fairs and networking events
• Practice interviewing with Big Interview
• Ask key faculty/supervisors for references.
• Apply, follow up, interview, send thanks, and evaluate.

Plan for life after college including graduate school/ post graduate fellowships

• Develop short and long-term goals.
• Consider finances after graduation—housing, transport, food, loan repayment.
• Complete graduate/professional schools applications.
• Research academic and service fellowships.

Winter Break

• Build your network at UVM networking events.
• Practice interviewing.

Following summer

• Celebrate your next chapter; update your contacts.
• Utilize Career Connection on LinkedIn, & help UVM’ers.

Reflect or discuss: What are you learning about yourself and the world of work this year?