

CAREER PLANNING OVER WINTER BREAK

Winter break can be a great time to reflect on your current progress in your career planning and take a few simple but meaningful steps toward career readiness. Here are some tips to consider over winter break:

- ┌ Join one or more of the [Career Pathways](#) and mark your calendar for upcoming events (including Career Month in February and [Career-A-Palooza](#) on March 19): [Business and Finance](#), [Creative Arts and Communication](#), [Law and Public Service](#), [Science and Health Care](#), or [Build Your Own](#) Pathway.
- ┌ **Build a resume and become familiar with the Handshake Resource Library** (on Handshake, go to [Career Center>Resources](#)). Review the Career Preparation Guide on [Building a Resume](#), the [Action Verb List](#), and [resume samples](#).
- ┌ **Identify possible summer opportunities.** Check out hot internships and jobs in your Pathway Newsletters every other Tuesday and on [Handshake](#), as well as [Internships.com](#), [Indeed.com](#), or other industry specific sites (listed on backside). Explore volunteer opportunities on [Volunteer Match](#) and part-time jobs in [QuadJobs](#).
- ┌ **Explore possible hometown connections.** Is there a family friend or other contact who does work you're interested in? Set up an "[informational interview](#)" to learn more about the career and get advice on ways to gain experience over the summer. Additionally, visit the websites of local organizations and check out their "Careers" pages for internship programs.
- ┌ **Develop a professional introduction.** Review the Career Guide on [Developing Your Professional Introduction](#) to ensure you're ready to introduce yourself to professionals.
- ┌ **Strengthen your professional network.** Create a [LinkedIn profile](#) and start building your network. Already have a LinkedIn profile? Update it to reflect your recent experiences, learn about [communicating effectively](#), and reach out to alumni using the [Alumni Tool](#).

Once you're back on campus or if you're here over break, feel free to [schedule an appointment](#) with your [career advisor](#) to discuss your progress and next steps.

ADDITIONAL SEARCH RESOURCES

All Career Pathways

- **GoinGlobal:** Looking for an international job or internship? [Going Global](#) is the place for information on international employers and employers sponsoring H1B visas.
- **LinkedIn:** Millions of jobs are posted on LinkedIn every day. Create your profile, connect and network with professionals, and apply for jobs.
- **WayUp:** On this app find paid internships, part-time jobs and entry-level opportunities at thousands of startups and Fortune 500s.

Creative Arts and Communication

- American Alliance of Museums
- Chicago Artist Coalition
- Idealist.org
- Midwest Museums Association
- NPO.net

Law and Public Service

- American Alliance of Museums
- Idealist.org
- Midwest Museums Association
- NPO.net
- USAJOBS.gov

Science and Health Care

- [American Association of Medical Colleges - Summer Enrichment Programs Database](#)
- [American Association of Medical Colleges - Summer Undergraduate Research Programs](#)
- [American Chemical Society Internships](#)
- [American Physics Society Internships](#)
- [American Psychological Association Research Experiences for Undergraduates](#)
- [BioSpace.com](#)
- [Chicago Environmental Network](#)
- [EnvironmentalScience.Org Internships](#)
- [National Science Foundation Database Research Experiences for Undergraduates](#)