As a transfer student, this is a crucial time to prepare for career success by building relationships, gaining experience for your resume, learning job search skills, and determining if you will need a graduate or professional degree for your career choice. We can help you get there.

**GET INVOLVED IN CAREER & CAMPUS RESOURCES**

- Talk to your academic advisor.
- Meet with a career specialist to set goals and assess your career interests.
- Join UCR student organizations. Explore your options online at [highlanderlink.ucr.edu](http://highlanderlink.ucr.edu) and [studentlife.ucr.edu](http://studentlife.ucr.edu).
- Attend Career Center events. Find out about them and register at [careers.ucr.edu/events](http://careers.ucr.edu/events).

**BUILD YOUR RESUME & INTERVIEWING SKILLS**

- Look at sample resumes at [careers.ucr.edu](http://careers.ucr.edu) under Students Getting Hired.
- Attend a Resume Writing workshop and an Ace the Interview workshop.
- Update your resume as you gain new experiences.
- Have your resume critiqued. Visit [careers.ucr.edu](http://careers.ucr.edu) or the Career Center to sign up for a career counseling appointment or an Express Career Advising appointment.
- Practice your interview skills by using the StandOut mock interview tool in the Resources section of your UCR Handshake account and scheduling a mock interview appointment with a career specialist.

**GAIN EXPERIENCE & NETWORK**

- Attend these Career Center events: Employer Information Sessions, Career Fairs, Job Discovery Series, Where Are the Jobs? Job Search Strategies, Networking Your Way to a Job, All About Internships, Maximizing Your Internship workshops, and Now Hiring Interns panel.
- Learn about summer internship opportunities through the Virtual Campus Interview program. In the “Jobs” section of your UCR Handshake account, click on “Virtual Campus Interviews” to see a list of all upcoming interview opportunities and apply.
- Conduct informational interviews with people who work in your desired career field.
- Meet with your academic advisor and find out if your internship qualifies for academic credit.

**RESEARCH GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS**

- Research occupations for job outlook, salary, education, training, etc.
- Research graduate school application deadlines and testing requirements.
- Write your personal statement. The Academic Resource Center offers assistance with this.
- Get letters of recommendation. Give faculty members one to three months of advance notice and share your resume or CV with them as well.

For more information on this and other resources to prepare for your future career, email career counseling@ucr.edu.

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GOALS TO REACH Career Success FOR EACH YEAR OF COLLEGE

FIRST YEAR
- Explore careers
- Get involved
- Create a resume
- Explore majors

SECOND YEAR
- Explore careers
- Choose a major
- Get a summer internship or job
- Build resume writing skills & interviewing skills

THIRD YEAR
- Network/Build relationships
- Polishes your interview skills
- Research graduate/professional schools

SENIOR YEAR
- Apply to graduate/professional schools
- Start focused
- Seek employment

NEXT DESTINATION: Success
Start your career or graduate/professional school journey!

To ensure you are meeting these career milestones during your transition year, stop by the Career Center, or email careercounseling@ucr.edu.

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