

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.

## FRESHMAN YEAR. KNOW YOURSELF AND GATHER INFORMATION

Jump in to your classes, thinking of assignments and projects as steps towards your career - not just a grade.	Create your own Talent Pool profile, and use it search for collaborators in other majors.
Talk to instructors and your college advisor about what your major prepares you for.	Log on to <u>ColumbiaWorks</u> to start exploring job, internship, and volunteer opportunities.
Visit the Portfolio Center's website to get acquainted with their services (www.colum.	Save all of your work in a secure location- physically and online.
edu/portfoliocenter), and look at resources related to your career interests.	Get a part-time job. Pay the bills and build up your resumé to prepare for internships down the road.
Browse profiles and work samples in your major through <u>Talent Pool</u> . Save any examples you like- this will be you in four years!	Start a master copy of your resume so you can track your jobs and accomplishments.
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