


CAREER FOUR YEAR PLAN

FOURTH YEAR



Start early and stay focused!
The following are recommendations
for staying on track and avoiding senior
year stress. Questions? Contact Christie
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SENIOR YEAR: BUILD JOB SEARCH SKILLS AND PURSUE EMPLOYMENT

- ☐ Revisit your body of work once again. You should be developing a clear vision of yourself as an artist, writer, performer, etc.
- ☐ Meet early with the Career Development Specialist or a mentor to create a job search plan.
- ☐ Polish your web portfolio by focusing on your best work.
- ☐ Do at least one mock interview to get feedback on how you present yourself and your work.
- ☐ Keep updating your resumé and be sure that it is ready to go out to employers. Have your resume reviewed by at least three professionals.
- ☐ Create your 30 second “elevator speech” for networking.
- ☐ Take advantage of opportunities to connect with employers at Columbia.
- ☐ Plan to attend Industry Events, which allow you to network with professionals in your field of interest.
- ☐ Compile and polish your portfolio, reel, etc. Utilize production services offered through the Portfolio Center.
- ☐ Start searching for jobs three to six months before you graduate. Apply immediately to anything that interests you!

NOTES AND NEXT STEPS:
