

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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## JUNIOR YEAR. GET INVOLVED AND GAIN EXPERIENCE

Watch for opportunities to get connected with the industry you are interested in. Volunteering at events and joining professional organizations can help build your network.		Start developing your portfolio by meeting with an Industry Liason through the Portfolio Center. This meeting allows you to get your portfolio-in-progress reviewed by someone in your industry and also allows you to gather information on the	
Check <u>ColumbiaWorks</u> for internships and start reading the full-time job postings to see the experience they require. There is still time to beef up your resumé and portfolio!		field.  Stay connected to a faculty mentor to learn about career-focused events within your department.	
Start applying for internships if you have not already done so. Contact your department Internship Coordinator and plan well in advance- at least a semester beforehand.		Read trade publications, magazines, and websites to learn the language and developments in the industry.	
Conduct at least one informational interview per semester to explore your options and to build your network.		Have your resumé reviewed by supervisors, professors, and/or the Career Development Specfialist the more views the better.	
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