



SENIOR IMPLEMENT

4-YEAR CAREER ACTION PLAN

1 DEVELOP JOB SEARCH STRATEGY

KNOW YOURSELF & WHAT YOU ARE SEEKING

Career values will help you determine what is most important to you in a position and/or company.

TREAT YOUR JOB SEARCH LIKE A FULL-TIME JOB

Searching for a job can be time-consuming. Set aside time daily to conduct career research, prepare your resume, contact companies and build your professional network.

ATTEND RECRUITING EVENTS

Meet employers and grow your professional network. Check the CCD calendar and RICElink for details about company information sessions and other events.

CONNECT WITH RICE ALUMNI

Join the OWL Career Mentor Network (LinkedIn). Plan to attend a LinkedIn Session to learn more about the benefits, resources and building a professional profile.

MEET WITH A CAREER COUNSELOR

Career counselors can be a key resource to help you develop your strategy and plan for your job search. They are also helpful if you aren't sure what you want to do, or if you plan to switch fields.

2 EXPAND YOUR EXPERIENCE



CONSIDER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Participating in current research is a great addition to your resume and graduate school applications. Utilize your senior seminar class to conduct research that will benefit your career or graduate school aspirations.



CONNECT WITH FACULTY

Make time to meet with faculty and discover information that can help you connect with the industry or company in your field of interest. Most faculty members have connections to specialized fields and can be a valuable resource for information and opportunities.



JOIN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Membership is an easy way to network with industry professionals and uncover opportunities.

3 STAY INVOLVED ON CAMPUS



BOOST LEADERSHIP

Take on an active role in a student organization.



PARTICIPATE IN RICE TRADITIONS

Solidify the bonds you've built over the past four years and connect with returning alumni.

4 PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS



WORKSHOPS

Improve skills in resume writing, interviewing and networking.



MOCK INTERVIEWS

Schedule a mock interview session to polish your interviewing skills.



BUSINESS ETIQUETTE LUNCH

Prepare for on-site interviews and networking.

5 STAY CONNECTED WITH CCD

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INTERACT WITH ALUMNI

Join the OWL Career Mentor Network



WEBSITE & EVENTS CALENDAR

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THINGS TO THINK ABOUT: CAREER VALUES

- Is location a factor?
- What salary range do you desire?
- Do you want room for advancement?
- What kind of environment helps you thrive?
- Do you work best independently or on teams?
- Do you want flexible hours?
- What other perks are important to you? (i.e. family leave, continuing education)

TO DO THIS YEAR:

- MEET W/ CAREER COUNSELOR TO DEVELOP JOB SEARCH STRATEGY
- DETERMINE CAREER VALUES
- NETWORK W/ PROFESSIONALS IN AREA OF CAREER INTEREST(S)
- START JOB SEARCH IN FALL
- ATTEND RECRUITING EVENTS HOSTED BY THE CCD



RICE

Center for Career Development