

eMpower Career & Professional Development Plan for Faculty

Freshmen | eXPLORE; Explore what Merrimack College has to offer

- Make an appointment with your Career Advisor to discuss your goals and aspirations, and pathways that are right for you
- Use Advantage to update your high school resume or start building one from scratch; then visit during Career Lab for a review
- Explore majors through Destination Exploration: an initiative designed to assist undeclared students in choosing a major that is right for them
- Get involved in clubs, athletics, and service learning-important career preparation activities
- Use Advantage to apply for an on-campus job, check out upcoming career events, and find online resources
- Explore who you are by taking assessments via MyPlan.com and review results with your Career Advisor to discover potential career paths

Sophomore | eNGAGE; Engage in Merrimack College and beyond

- Make an appointment with your Career Advisor to discuss experiential learning
- Visit during Career Lab to update your resume
- Create a cover letter to apply for your experiential learning opportunities
- Network with Merrimack College alumni through The Warrior Network-Merrimack Mentor Program
- Participate in “A Day in the Life,” employer site visits designed to engage you with organizations and industries you may be interested in
- Study Abroad, participate in an international internship during your study abroad
- Begin participating in career events focused on developing your professional brand
- Complete an Externship, a short term immersion in a field of interest

Junior | eVALUATE; Evaluate exactly what you want to do or achieve.

- Make an appointment with your Career Advisor to begin solidifying a target path
- Participate in an internship, co-op, or research assistantship
- Prepare and secure informational interviews to narrow your career interest areas
- Update and revise your resume to reflect your increased experiences
- Begin researching post-graduate national fellowships and scholarships
- Use InterviewStream to practice interviewing and work with your Career Advisor to assess your technique
- Take on leadership roles in clubs or athletics
- Identify and join a professional association related to your career path
- Participate in career events focused on preparing for your job or graduate school search

Senior | eVOLVE; Evolve into a marketable, young professional.

- Meet with your Career Advisor to discuss post-graduate opportunities
- Find, prepare, and apply for positions through On-Campus recruiting
- Attend Career Lab to update your resume; upload it to Advantage to advertise your skills to over 3,000 employers looking to hire Merrimack graduates
- Take grad school entrance exams and complete applications during the fall semester
- Fine tune your image by participating in career events focused on professional etiquette and social media presence
- Join the Merrimack College Alumni LinkedIn to connect with over 4,000 alums
- Develop a prospect list of companies you are interested in pursuing
- Gather salary trends to prepare for compensation negotiations
- Let the O'Brien Center know once you've accepted a full-time employment opportunity or have been accepted to graduate school