

You've got this.

CARDINAL CAREER COMPASS

Steps to point you in the right direction
on your journey from college to career

First Year

- Meet with Ms. Shannon in the Career Center for intro and [planning appointment](#)
- Complete your Cards Career Connection Profile in [Handshake](#)
- Research Music Careers in [Cards Career Connection](#)
- Attend [workshops](#) offered by the Career Center
- Get involved in a [student club/organization](#) on campus or within the School of Music
- Learn and practice good study and [time-management skills](#)
- Identify [summer opportunities](#)
- Participate in [Music Gig](#) opportunities

Second Year

- Start a [portfolio](#) of projects; back up digital files
- Learn basics in audio, video and photography
- Draft your professional [resume](#)
- Develop your [social media skills](#) as a professional tool
- Review your [social media platforms](#) with the Career Center; learn to curate your professional identity
- Conduct at least one [Informational Interview](#) with a professional in your field/industry
- Attend [workshops](#) offered by the Career Center
- Explore and apply for [study abroad](#) and summer programs, **workshops and festivals**
- Participate in [Music Gig](#) opportunities

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Third Year

- Meet with Ms. Shannon in the Career Center to [update your career plan](#)
- Set-up a basic [website and LinkedIn Profile](#); Connect with colleagues and alumni
- Attend conferences and festivals
- Expand connections with professionals and alumni
- Start of list of your **professional contacts**
- Connect with faculty and colleagues and engage with [professional groups](#)
- Update your [professional resume](#); seek out an [Internship](#)
- Start to utilize job search resources found on the [Career Development website](#)
- Research possible [graduate school programs](#)
- Participate in [Music Gig](#) opportunities

Fourth Year

- Complete graduation application and degree audit with advising
- Connect with the [UofL Alumni Association](#)
- Participate in [Career Fairs](#) on campus and through professional associations
- Meet with Ms. Shannon to [polish portfolio, resume, website, professional and social media sites](#), and personal mission statement
- Meet with Ms. Shannon to review [job search strategies](#)
- Update [LinkedIn profile](#) and connect with colleagues and engage with professional groups, actively use your LinkedIn profile to reach out to professionals for [networking](#) opportunities
- Continue to attend [workshops](#) offered by the Career Center and campus organizations
- Expand involvement in [professional associations](#) of choice
- Participate in [Music Gig](#) opportunities

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